UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-56579) DATE: 11 NOV 1961

FROM : SA WILLIAM J. BARRON

SUBJECT: PHIL BART
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Attached is an FD-302 concerning subject being observed at 23 West 26th St., NYC.

The National and New York State offices of the Communist Party and the Editorial and Office Staff of "The Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper, currently occupy the premises at 23 W. 26th St., NYC.

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PHIL HART was observed at 23 West 26th Street, New York City, on the following dates:

DATE	ENTERED	DEPARTED
November 20, 1961	9:21 a.m.	12:00 p.m. 3:39 p.m.
November 21, 1961	9:10 a.m. 2:04 p.m.	1:[illegible] p.m.
November 22, 1961	12:05 p.m.	9:36 a.m.

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Remarks:

The following individual was seen at CPUSA headquarters on 11/20/61.

Phil Bart

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1-NY 100-56579 (415)

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TO: SAC, BOSTON (100-7908) 11/30/61

FROM: SA DARREL B. CURRIE

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY, USA, NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT
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Date of Report: 11/14/61

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Brief description of activity or material

Meeting of the District Committee,
CP, USA, New England District at
Chelsea, Mass., [redacted]

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Remarks:

In view of the sensitivity of this informant, the utmost care must be utilized to carefully paraphrase the information prior to dissemination in order to protect the identity of the informant who has furnished reliable information in the past.

2 - New York
1 - 100-80641 (CP, USA, Organization)
1 - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)

15 - Boston
1 - 100-7908 (CP, USA, New England District)
1 - [redacted]
1 - 100-24406 (PHIL BAKER)
1 - 100-568 [redacted]
1 - 100-547 [redacted]
1 - 100-28032 [redacted]
1 - 100-16341 [redacted]
1 - 100-18211 (CP, USA, Industrial)
1 - 100-31934 (CP, USA, New Bedford-Fall River)
1 - 100-31935 (CP, USA, So. Shore)
1 - 100-18010 (CP, USA, Dorchester)
1 - 100-24914 (PHIL BART)
1 - 100-20779 (CP, USA, Organization)
1 - 100-20778 (CP, USA, Membership)
1 - 100-34316 (Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties)

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Informant's written report follows:

"November 14, 1961.

"The District Committee of the Communist Party, New England District, met at the Jewish Center, Chelsea, Massachusetts, on November 5, 1961. OTIS HOOD was Chairman of the meeting. The following attended the meeting: OTIS HOOD, ANNE BURLAK TIMPSON, [redacted] ROBERT POLLOCK, [redacted] and a man from the North Shore Section who was tall and slender and who stutters. Also PHIL BART from New York, representing the National Office of the Communist Party.

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"At this meeting PHIL BART gave a run-down on plans of the Communist Party to fight the Supreme Court decision on the McCarran Act. He said the Communist Party would be required to register by November 15, 1961, officers of the Communist Party by November 29, 1961, and members of the Communist Party by December 29, 1961. BART mentioned that possibly a Bill of Rights Committee would be set up on the National level to fight the Supreme Court decision. Members of the District Committee agreed that this would be a good idea.

"ANNE BURLAK TIMPSON spoke saying that the various clubs in the New England District had not been meeting and that some effort should be made to get them to meet and discuss the plans to fight the Supreme Court decision. ANNE then delegated certain people to meet with the different clubs and bring them up to date on Communist Party plans. [redacted] was asked to meet with the Industrial Club, [redacted] with New Bedford and Fall River, OTIS HOOD with the South Shore. ANNE was to meet with the Dorchester Section.

"No action was taken at this meeting as to setting up of any committee locally to fight the Supreme Court decision. It was decided to first get the feeling of the various clubs and to report back to the District Committee.

"This is all the information I have at the present time, regarding this matter."

The unknown individual who attended this District Committee meeting, described by [redacted] as "tall, slender and who stutters" is undoubtedly [redacted] who also attended this meeting. As [redacted] was the only unidentified person in attendance, no further lead is being set out to identify him. [redacted] has been alerted to attempt to identify this individual the next time he is observed. b7D

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To: SACs, Albany
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From: Director, FBI (100-372598)

UNITED STATES v. COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Assistant Attorney General J. Walter Yeagley of the Internal Security Division of the Department has requested that he be furnished a certified copy of the state income tax returns for the year 1960 filed by certain designated subjects, together with any correspondence or other data in the subjects' tax files which may be pertinent in proving their connection with the Communist Party. If the return for 1960 cannot be located due to its being processed, a certified copy of the 1959 return should be obtained in lieu thereof.

The Albany Office is instructed to immediately obtain certified copies of the 1960 New York State income tax returns for the following Party leaders:

Gus Hall (Arvo Mike Halberg), wife - Elizabeth Mary Hall, 230 Van Cortlandt Park Avenue, Yonkers, New York. Note as of April 15, 1960, Hall was residing at the Chelsea Hotel, 222 23rd Street, New York City, and prior to July 15, 1960, resided at 1017 Eddy Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

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Re: United States v. Communist Party, USA
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Benjamin Jefferson Davis [redacted], b6 b7C
Apartment 3B, 710 Riverside Drive, New York, New York.

Philip Bart (wife - Constance Strauss Bart),
Apartment 4G, 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, 224 East 12th Street,
New York City.

James Edward Jackson (wife - Esther Victoria Cooper
Jackson), 1013 Lincoln Place, Brooklyn, New York.

Irving Potash, Hotel Chelsea, 222 West 23rd Street,
New York City.

Jacob Abraham Stachel (wife - Bertha Zunser Stachel),
Apartment 5C, 203 West 94th Street, New York City.

The Albany Office should immediately advise the Cincinnati Office in the event a 1960 return was not filed by Gus Hall in New York State. Upon receipt of this communication, the Cincinnati Office should initiate its efforts to locate a 1960 or 1959 return for Hall in Ohio.

The Springfield Office is instructed to obtain the 1960 state income tax return for Claude Lightfoot (wife - Geraldine Lightfoot), 3443 West 12th Place, Chicago, Illinois.

In view of the possible early prosecutive action against these communist leaders under the Internal Security Act of 1950, the procurement of these state income tax returns should be expedited. They should be sent in individually under the dual caption United States v. Communist Party, USA, and in the name of the subject.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284)

FROM: SAC, BOSTON (100-24914)

PHIL BART
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Re Bu airtel to NY dated 11/28/61.

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[redacted]

This [redacted] ERNEST AUDET (Bufile 100-345546) [redacted] Although not a member of the District Committee, the informant is regularly invited to attend meetings of the District Committee principally because of his knowledge [redacted] CP representative [redacted]

3 - Bureau (100-3284)
1 - Albany
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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley
Assistant Attorney General

December 11, 1961

Director, FBI

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FEIL BART
(POSSIBLE PROSECUTION UNDER THE
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950)

Reference is made to your letter dated November 27, 1961, requesting information regarding the availability of various informants and sources to testify at a possible criminal proceeding against Bart under the Internal Security Act of 1950.

For your assistance, the following "T" symbols represent only three informants:

T-3 in the report of Special Agent (SA) Harold P. Quinn dated April 27, 1961, at New York, New York, is identical with T-9 in SA Quinn's report dated January 27, 1961, at New York.

T-6 in SA Quinn's report dated April 27, 1961, is identical with T-7 in SA Quinn's report dated January 27, 1961.

T-8 in SA Quinn's report dated April 27, 1961, is identical with T-5 in SA Quinn's report dated January 27, 1961.

The three above-designated informants are currently furnishing security information of value to the Bureau. Arrangements will be made for Department Attorneys to interview any or all of these informants whose testimony is deemed absolutely essential to a successful prosecution of Bart. Any such interview will be conducted under strict security conditions. If, following the interview, the informant's testimony is still deemed absolutely essential, the background and value of the informant will be furnished to the Attorney General by letter classified "Secret," for his decision as to whether the informant should or should not be released for testimony.

1 - Albany (See note, page 2)
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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley

These comments also refer to T-4, T-6 and T-8 in SA Quinn's report dated January 27, 1961 and to T-6, T-7 and T-8 in SA Quinn's report dated October 25, 1961.

ATTENTION SACS ALBANY, BOSTON AND NEW YORK:

Albany:

T-6 in SA Quinn's report dated January 27, 1961, is [redacted] b7D

Boston:

T-3 in SA Quinn's report dated April 27, 1961, and T-9 in SA Quinn's report dated January 27, 1961, relate to [redacted]

T-4 in SA Quinn's report dated April 27, 1961, and T-7 in SA Quinn's report dated January 27, 1961, relate to [redacted]

T-8 in SA Quinn's report dated January 27, 1961, relates to [redacted]

T-8 in SA Quinn's report dated October 25, 1961, relates to [redacted]

New York:

T-6 in SA Quinn's report dated April 27, 1961, and T-5 in SA Quinn's report dated January 27, 1961, relate to [redacted]

T-4 in SA Quinn's report dated January 27, 1961 relates to [redacted]

T-6 in SA Quinn's report dated October 25, 1961, relates to [redacted]

T-7 in SA Quinn's report dated October 25, 1961, relates to [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

New York, New York
December 12, 1961

100-372598

Re: United States v. Communist Party,
United States of America
Internal Security - C
Internal Security Act of 1950

On December 11, 1961, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following information:

During the past year [redacted] a clerical employee at Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA) Headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, New York City, has been observed preparing payroll envelopes for the CPUSA leaders and employees. She has been seen counting money and inserting certain amounts of this money in brown pay envelopes. At various times the names Ben Davis, James Allen and Phil Bart as well as others have appeared on envelopes. b6 b7C

While preparing these pay envelopes [redacted] consulted and made entries in a ledger type accounting or payroll book. This book was kept in the safe located in the third floor at CPUSA Headquarters. The third floor is and has been occupied and used as office space for the CPUSA.

During the same period [redacted] a clerical employee of the New York State CP has been observed preparing pay envelopes for New York State CP employees and officers. These envelopes were prepared on the second floor at 23 West 26th Street, New York City, in the space occupied by the New York State CP.

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Re: United States v. Communist Party,
United States of America
Internal Security - X
Internal Security Act of 1950

While preparing these envelopes, [redacted] consulted and made entries in an account book she kept in the top right-hand drawer of a desk located at the head of the stairs on the second floor.

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The source could not recall the last time this payroll preparation took place, but is certain it has not been observed in the last two months.

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SAC, NEW YORK (97-169)

SA [redacted]

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On 11/13/61, NY 2362-S* advised that on above date a brief and informal discussion was held in the penthouse office at CP Headquarters, NYC. The informant advised that the meeting concerned itself with the financial situation of "The Worker".

JAMES JACKSON, in discussing the financial matters relating to "The Worker" said that there was a need to raise $10,000 for the paper by the end of this year. He said that the actual weekly expense of the paper comes to approximately $4500.

JACK STACHEL commented that for the past 2 years the paper has run a deficite of approximately $90,000. He noted that even if the mid-weekly edition of the paper were dropped the 2 additional people brought in would have to be retained on the payroll. The informant noted that STACHEL utilized the added security of the blackboard to emphasize ~~concerning~~ certain financial arrangements but this information was not available to the informant. STACHEL commented that efforts should be made to determine what possibilities there were in getting a loan. JAMES JACKSON, at this point, added that they were 2 weeks behind wages for the employees of the paper.

1 - New York (100-16785) (JAMES JACKSON) (415)
1 - New York (100-18065) (JACK STACHEL) (415)
1 - New York (100-56579) (PHIL BART) (415)
1 - New York (97-169)

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PHIL (BART) said that with regard to the $10,000 reported by JACKSON, he, BART, would see what could be done to raise it.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-372598)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-102320)

SUBJECT: US V. CPUSA
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Enclosed are six copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination containing information furnished by [redacted]

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This memorandum is classified "Confidential" because it contains information the disclosure of which could reveal the identity of the source. This in turn could adversely effect the national defense interests of this country.

3-Bureau (100-372598) Encls. 6) (RM)
1[redacted] (41)
1-NY 100-3-63 (CPUSA FUNDS) (415)
1-NY 100-74560 (CPUSA NY DISTRICT FUNDS) (414)
1-NY 100-129498 [redacted]
1-NY 100-120054 (414)
1-NY 100-23825
1-NY 100-32826
1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (415)
1-NY 100-102320 (415)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-137765) Date: 12/12/61

FROM : SA [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

SUBJECT: CROWN HEIGHTS FORUM
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1 - Chicago (61-867) [redacted] (RM)
1 - New York [redacted] (422)
1 - New York (100-26603-C43) (KCCP)(422)
1 - New York (100-26603-C1957) (KCCP CROWN HEIGHTS) (422)
1 - New York (100-128822) (CP, USA, NYD EDUCATION)(414)
1 - New York (100-95583) (CP, USA LINE) (415)
1 - New York (100-145872) (CP, USA, NYD PUBLIC APPEARANCES OF PARTY LEADERS)(414)
1 - New York (100-23825) [redacted]
1 - New York (100-80532) (415)
1 - New York (100-110888) 15)
1 - New York (100-117724) 2)
1 - New York (100-89039)
1 - New York (100-14096) 22)
1 - New York (100-91327) 422)
1 - New York (100-86094) (422)
1 - New York (100-4137)
1 - New York (100-141221) 2)
1 - New York (100-67348) 422)
1 - New York (100-128815) (CP, USA NYD NEGRO QUESTION)(414)
1 - New York (100-128823) (CP, USA, NYD DOMESTIC ADMINISTRATION ISSUES) (414)
1 - New York (100-80641) (CP, USA ORGANIZATION) (415)
1 - New York (100-128814) (CP, USA, NYD ORGANIZATION)(414)
1 - New York (100-81752) (CP, USA BRIEF) (415)
1 - New York (100-269) [redacted]
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1 - New York (100-1696) [redacted] (415) b7D
1 - New York (100-133903) (CP, USA, NYD CP ATTEMPTS TO INFILTRATE MASS ORGS) (414)
1 - New York (97-169) (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS)(415)
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A copy of informant's report follows:

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11/8/61

On 11/5/61, a meeting of the Crown Heights Forum was held between 8:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. in Room 7, 1110 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N.Y.

There were between 25 and 30 people present, including the following:

BEN DAVIS
HERBERT and FAY APTHEKER
[redacted]
CLARA LICHT
TOM and ELLA MEYERSCOUGH
LOUIS DINNERSTEIN
FANNY BOBICK
[redacted]
ANN FRIEDLANDER

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HERBERT APTHEKER introduced BEN DAVIS as a "fighter for the Negro people".

BEN DAVIS spoke about the McCarran Act, bringing in anecdotes about his personal experiences. He said that by the 19th of November, 1961, the Communist Party would be required to register, and by the 29th of November, 1961, the national leadership would be required to register. DAVIS identified the national leadership of the Communist Party as follows:

HENRY WINSTON - National Vice-Chairman
CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT - National Vice-Chairman
BEN DAVIS - National Secretary
GUS HALL - General Secretary
PHIL BART - National Organizer
ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN - National Chairman

DAVIS stated that neither the Communist Party nor its national leadership had any intention of registering. He said

that none of the state or local leaders of the Communist Party would register, and that as far as he knows, none of the individual members intended to register.

DAVIS said that the Supreme Court decisions affected only Communist action, Communist front, and Communist infiltrated organizations.

DAVIS said that "The Worker" has received no instructions concerning the labeling of the paper's mail wrappers, and if such instructions are received, they will not be carried out. Instead, he said, "The Worker" will be sold on street corners.

DAVIS said that since 10/19/61, only two phases of the McCarran Act have been in effect - those applying to passports and employments. DAVIS went on to explain these two phases and discussed the fines and penalties for non-compliance with these particular sections of the law.

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TO: SAC, NEWARK (100-42840) DATE: 12/12/61
FROM: SA RUSSELL H. HORNER
SUBJECT: CP, USA, NEW JERSEY DISTRICT, NEGRO DIVISION
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4 - New York (100-56572 PHIL BART) (RM)
(1 - 100-1690[redacted]
(1 - 100-128521 FACTIONALISM)
[redacted]
6 - Newark
(1 - 100-19491[redacted]
(1 - 100-33146[redacted]
(1 - 100-42840 FACTIONALISM)
(1 - 100-46266 COMMITTEE FOR EDUCATION OF NEGROES IN RUSSIA)
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November 17, 1961

On November 16, 1961, PAT TOOHEY was overheard in conversation with PHIL BART at the National Office concerning the HULDAH CLARK situation. BART told TOOHEY that CLARK will be returned to the United States by the end of the year. (This information was apparently brought back from Moscow by JACKSON and FLYNN.)

BART stated that apart from the acknowledged political mistake made by the Russians, other questions have arisen concerning CLARK. BART stated that she has become an unhealthy, disruptive, and distracting element in school. He said that even though she is only 14 years of age, she has come into class smoking, which is shocking to the Russians, who maintain a semi-military atmosphere in their schools. CLARK also comes to classes late, is inattentive, and is boastful of her previous love affairs to the other students. In the dormitory, she is undisciplined. All of this has resulted in the conclusion by the Russians that she is not the person to be there. BART stated that while ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN was in Moscow attending the 22nd Congress, certain responsible educational officials contacted her concerning this situation. FLYNN became extremely infuriated and indignant when they apparently inferred that the COMMUNIST PARTY (CP), USA, made a mistake in sending HULDAH to the USSR. FLYNN apparently told these officials that the CP, USA, had had no part in the choosing or the sending of CLARK to the USSR and had, in fact, protested the whole matter.

CLARK apparently has further requested a three-week vacation from school in order to come home. This is an absurd request as viewed by the Russians since they allow only one or two days per year for vacations. According to BART, it appeared that in an effort to get out of this bad situation, the Russians will allow CLARK a three-week vacation to return to the United States. Once here, the Russians will refuse to renew her visa and will thereby solve this problem.

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TO: SAC (100-16969) DATE: 12/13/61

FROM: SA LEO M. MC GINN

RE: CP - NORTH SHORE SECTION
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~~Enlarged meeting, North Shore Section,~~
~~CPUSA, New England District, Lynn, Mass.~~

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In view of the sensitivity of this informant, the utmost care must be utilized to carefully paraphrase this information prior to dissemination in order to protect the identity of this informant who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Informant's report follows:

10 - New York (RM)
1 - 100- (NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS)
1 - 100-56579 (PHILLIP BART)
1 - 100-16021 [redacted]
1 - 100-
1 - 100- (EMMA LAZARUS FEDERATION OF JEWISH WOMEN'S CLUBS)
1 - 100- ("NATIONAL GUARDIAN")
1 - 97- (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS, INC.)
1 - 100- (EMERGENCY CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE)
1 - 100- [redacted]
1 - 100-87211 (CPUSA - FACTIONALISM)

1 - New Haven (100- [redacted] (RM)
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1 - [redacted]
1 - 100-17930 [redacted]
1 - 100-15952
1 - 100-24914 (PHIL BART)
1 - 100-34119 (BOSTON COMMITTEE FOR DISARMAMENT AND PEACE)
1 - 100-775 [redacted]
1 - 100-33497
1 - 100-16336
1 - 100-28112 (EMMA LAZARUS FEDERATION)
1 - 105-5539 (FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE)
1 - 100-16135 [redacted]
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1 - 100-29875 [redacted]
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1 - 100-26827 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS, INC.)
1 - 100-16191 (CP - FUNDS)
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1 - 100-20787 (CP - FACTIONALISM)
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1 - 100-20784 (CP - UNITED NATIONS)
1 - 100-26893 (CP - STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY)
1 - 100-24111 (CP - NEGRO QUESTION)
1 - 100-20781 (CP - YOUTH MATTERS)

"On Thurs., Oct. 12, 1961 there was an enlarged section meeting of the North Shore Section of the N.E. Communist Party held at the home of Vic Piekarski in Lynn.

"Those attending were as follows: Vic Piekarski, Nick Denesuk, Lewis Gordon, Elsie & Charlie Piper, Millie Goodwin, Sol Fisher wasn't there as he was visiting relatives in Maine.

"Vic Piekarski said George Vasis was very ill.

"Agenda for the evening was as follows:

"1. Report on Nat Democratic Assembly, N.Y. 23rd & 24 Sept. by Elsie Piper.

"2. D.C. Report - Charlie Piper - Lew Gordon

"3. Peace

"4. Preparation for Party for Arnold Johnson

"5. Allen Article

"Misc. - Fund drive - Fair Play - Comming events.

"1. Elsie Piper gave a report on the Nat Democratic Assembly which had taken place at St. Nicholas Arena in N.Y. over Sept. 23rd & 24th. She said it was very well attended with a large representation of youth. She said several of the victims of the Mc Carron Act had spoken. All stressing the theme that the fight against the Mc Carron Act wasn't just a fight for the Communists but was a fight to protect the rights of all Americans - labor, Negro, etc.

"Vic asked if the Assembly had adjourned. Elsie said no that they had recessed so that in the event it needed to be called into secession again the delegates could be called back.

"Vic also asked how many delegates went from N.E. Elsie said there were several who came from Conn.

But there were 17 from N.E., i.e. (Mass., R.I., N.H., Vt., Me.)

"Vic wanted to know if Elsie knew the delegates from N.E. Elsie said she knew most of them, and named off a few - Ann Timpson, Myer Clarfield, Bob Pollack, [redacted], herself, Sol Fisher, [redacted], Joe Costa, Ernie Audett, a couple Ammenians, [redacted], [redacted], and a few others.

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"Elsie reported that she thought [redacted] had been pleasantly surprised because June Gordon was in attendance. She thought the Emma Lazarus was a sponser of the Affair. She also thought [redacted] would help us in this area in regards to doing something on defense.

"2. On the D.C. Report - Lew Gordon and Charlie Piper gave a report on the last D.C. meeting, Oct. 1 at Otis Hoods saying Ann Timpson reported on the Democratic Assembly which took place in N.Y. She stated there had been 1200 attend the assembly. There had been a lack of Union participation in the assembly. That 17 delegates had gone from this area and one uninvited guest, a [redacted] Ann had reported at the D.C. that the Mon. following the Democratic Assembly, that representatives from the N.Y. Times, The Worker & The Nat. Guardian had been subpoenaed in an attempt to find out who had placed adds advertising the Dem. Assembly with them. Ann had said there was some question about this [redacted] He had come up to her and asked her if she was going to be Chairman of a Defense Committee in Boston. Also she had explained [redacted] work as looking up material on cases for several Boston lawyers. Also no one knew how he had gotten an invitation.

"Phil Bart had attended the D.C. meeting. He said the Emergency Civil Liberties Comm. of N.Y. had set up the Dem. Assembly. They had had over 100 sponsors to the affair.

"He also told of some of the trouble the C.P. had in N.Y. - saying there were several people who wanted to dissolve the party. Also there had been much factionalism. Some forms of which were not always on the surface and apparent. Some forms took such character as not attending meetings - not calling meetings, etc.

[redacted] read an article by James S. Allen titled The Dangerous Crisis of War, which is to appear in the Oct. issue of Political Affairs. This Article to be used by the district for mailing. Phil Bart having made the suggestion that it be read at the D.C.

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"Lew Gordon gave a report on Berlin at the D.C. stressing the U.N. Forces had no right in Berlin.

"The question of Homer came up in a report by the Committee. Otis Hood saying Homer had met with them and denied sending the anonymous lettershe was questioned about. He was asked if he agreed with them and said some parts of the letters he did. Then he wanted to know from the Committee why he hadn't been assigned to a club. So actually the Committee hadn't determined anything.

"Bob Pollack wanted another committee formed to replace the present one of Hood, Lew Gordon, [redacted] [redacted] to consist of himself, [redacted] and [redacted] to take up the question of Homer. This most of the D.C. members were against. The D.C. decided since Homer wanted an assignment that Otis Hood should ask Homer or assign Homer the task of writing a critical analysis of the two letters in question.

"One letter was an attack on the Kennedy administration and the party's policy towards it. The other letter in question was an attack on Gus Hall's recent statement on The Ultra-Right, Kennedy, and the Role of The Progressives.

"3. On Peace - Millie said she hadn't been able to attend the last meeting of the Boston Comm. For

Disarmament & Peace and she hadn't heard from [redacted] about it. b6 b7C

"Charlie Piper reported at the D.C. meeting Ann Timpson said the meeting (B.C.I.D.&P.) was held to discuss four points - (a) The seating of the Chinese Peoples Republic at the U.S. (b) The Berlin situation, (c) Banning Nuclear Testing (d) Disarmament.

"There was brief discussion of forming a peace group on the North Shore.

"4. On Preparation for a Party for Arnold Johnson. Elsie Piper said they could use her house. They weren't definitely sure Arnold Johnson was coming. They decided as soon as they knew Elsie would invite her brother Phil - [redacted] and others. Millie would invite The Fishers from Revere - people from Winthrop and others. Elsie was to contact [redacted] They would do this only when they were sure Johnson was coming, which would be Monday nite when there was to be a meeting on defense in Boston, to which Vic alluded several times. Later Lew Gordon asked Elsie if she couldn't also attend and told her it was to be held at [redacted] St.

"Elsie made arrangements to go in with Vic.

"They planned to keep refreshments for a party for Johnson simple. Everyone agreed to bring crackers - cookies - cheese - etc.

"5. On the Allen Article - Elsie was requested to read on page 7 - starting with #4 - Steps to Peace through to the end of Pg. 8 - which she did. Since it was late, there was no discussion on the article.

"Around the coffee table at the end of the meeting there was some discussion on ways in which we could raise funds. The possibility of selling Christmas cards, pocketbooks, aprons, etc. was examined, but everyone agreed it was a little too late this season

for any such things to be sold."

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information furnished above.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100- 56579) DATE: DEC 15 1961

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: PHIL BART
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NY 694-S* advised on 10/30/61, that the National and New York State offices of the Communist Party; the Editorial and Office Staff of "The Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper, currently occupy the premises at 23 W. 26th St., NYC.

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TO: SAC (100-18969) DATE: December 15, 1961
FROM: SA LEO M. MC GINN
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - NORTH SHORE SECTION
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100- (Turn Toward Peace)
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"On Tues evening Nov 14 There was a meeting of the North Shore Section of the N. E. Communist Party held at the home of LEW GORDON in Lynn. Those attending were as follows: CHARLES & ELSIE PIPER, SOL FISHER, NICK DENESUK, VIC PIEKARSKI, LEW GORDON & MILLIE GOODWIN.

"CHARLIE PIPER gave a report of the last D. C. meeting saying PHIL BART had been there and talked on the McCarron law giving the dates of when different aspects or rules of the law were to be put into effect.

"PHIL BART had reported that the Gov't had attempted to get the officers of the Party to sign a paper giving an extension of time for when the gov't could try an income tax case against the party. PHIL BART had said this was one kind of attempt or manoover the Gov't had tried to get an official of the party to sign his or (their) name or (names)

"CHARLIE reported that BART had said BEN DAVIS had been refused permission to speak before a group of students at a N. Y. university. That about 1200 students had set up a meeting and gone to the C. P. headquarters to hear DAVIS speak. A recorder was used at this meeting

"CHARLIE said ANN TIMPSON had repoted at the D. C. that all Clubs were not meeting on a regular basis.

"CHARLIE at the D. C. had called attention to this statement by ANN and the D. C. members had then assigned different individuals to see that the clubs did meet.

"CHARLIE reported that OTIS HOOD had remarked about the ultra right reactionary groups such as the John Birch Society & followers of Gen. WALKER which were springing up with the observation by OTIS HOOD that this wasn't all bad, but will help those people on the fence to make up their minds.

"CHARLIE said ANN TIMPSON had given him a programm of Community Church on which was an announcement of a meeting on Weds Nov 27 'The [redacted] with [redacted] & [redacted] as speakers

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"MILLIE GOODWIN was asked to report on Peace She said she didn't have anything to report on the Boston Com. for Dis. & Peace as she hadn't heard anything from them lately She had received literature & been contacted by the Turn Toward Peace committee. She passed around a leaflet titled 'Turn Toward Peace' asking 'will you help initiate N. E. Turn Toward Peace?'

"also a card to be filled out by persons with personal data and space for type of volonteer work an individual could contribute.

"VIC PIEKARSKI was asked to report on the Forum at the universalist Church in Saugus since JIM BOLLEN was absent.

"VIC said he had talked to JIM BOLLEN. The date of the first Forum would be Dec. 7. The speaker was a [redacted] a Negro member of the N.A.A.C.P. He would speak on the Negro in the labor movement and chances for Negro advancement in industry.

"VIC said we can give this man ideas of what he could speak about. That this man could speak out that at the G. E. apprentice school there has never been a negro admitted_

"ELSIE pointed out that to get into this school its more than a matter of pull. One must pass a ridgid exam. It wasn't entirely a question of who the G.E. wanted.

"VIC said he understood that but if a person could pass a college extrance exam he could pass the test for the G. E. apprentice school.

"VIC said JIM & the minister [redacted] of the Universalist Church would handle the publicity for the Forum and see that it got into the Saugus & Lynn papers.

"ELSIE suggested that the minister should also contact other ministers in the area and perhaps they would make an announcement about it from their pulpits.

"MILLIE thought we should be careful not to get so many people to the Forum that it looked like we were padding it.

"CHARLIE didn't believe we could get so many people there that it would look like that and MILLIE agreed with him_

"CHARLIE asked VIC to report on the defense meeting for HOMER CHASE that he had attended the previous Sunday.

"VIC said there was a meeting called at Community Church because HOMER had been called before the H.U.A.C. There had been about thirty-two people attending, some being the CHASE brothers - HOMER, JOE & OLIVER, HOMER's mother from N. H. OTIS HOOD, ANN TIMPSON, DAN SHIRMER, VIC PIEKARSKI, SOL FISHER, MARY & [redacted] FLORENCE LUSCOMB, [redacted] b6
& PHIL [redacted] [redacted] OLIVER CHASES son, [redacted] b7C
a couple of Armenians_

"VIC reported that ANN_ T. & OTIS HOOD had spoken and said altho they had differences with HOMER that any idealogical differences should be put aside to help HOMER and others who might be victims of the McCarron law_

"HOMER & PHIL (KORITZ) both spoke. HOMER was a very different HOMER then we had seen in the past. HOMER said that his brother JOE had told him to go in & give the committee hell - but he didn't think this would be the right thing to do_

"VIC said ANN_ TIMPSON had spent an entire evening with HOMER and he guessed she'd convinced him not to go without the advice of a lawyer and how to act before the sub-committee in Washington.

"VIC said PHIL KORITZ had spoken and used his old line of attacking people & the party. This hadn't set too well with people there.

"He said TILLIE & MARY CARLSON were put in charge of funds about _160.00 had been collected. Most of it comming from HOMERS friends. His mother had brought in _25.00 from N. H. This had been the only money comming in from N. H. for a long time.

"He said [redacted] was chairman_ b6 b7C

"VIC said he thought something was started so far as a defense committee being established_ He thought some of those attending & signing up for work were not party members_

"VIC said ANN_ TIMPSON would get in touch with either himself or ELSIE on the date for the next defense meeting which would be on Nov. 29 or 30. If she contacted VIC he would let ELSIE know_ If she got in touch with ELSIE she would let VIC know.

"VIC reported on the meeting he & ELSIE & CHARLIE had with [redacted] on Fri_

"VIC said before ELSIE & CHARLIE arrived [redacted] had accused us _The Party) of using [redacted] VIC said that all [redacted] wants is an easy living and hav[redacted] keep out of any controversy. He thought he helped to explain we wern't using [redacted] it was do to the fact that [redacted] was so capable in getting things done that she was in demand_

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"CHARLIE & VIC told ho[redacted]had approached a Rabbi in Swamscott about the Emma Lazarus and he had asked her about the organization & its officers_

"VIC sai[redacted]had told them she had been receiving anti-communist literature in the mail which told about what was happening to Jews in Russia_

"MILLIE said she had been receiving this mail for a long time_

"Both MILLIE & VIC thought the F.B.I. sends out this literature_

"ELSIE said in helping HOMER out she would help him financially as much as she could. She had certain reservations about it tho and any contribution she made to him would be though party channels. She didn't think money comming in for defense funds should be turned over to HOMERS group. That she was afraid HOMER & his group might use a committee to exspouse their old line. The group agreed anyone could make a personal contribution to HOMER if they wished, but MILLIE should keep defense funds seperate.

"ELSIE also said she didn't want anyone in Lynn calling her on the phone from their home. She knew VIC & LEW both had been doing so and she thought it was a pretty stupid thing to do.

"CHARLIE asked about the Fund drive. VIC said he intends to see NATHAN GASS & try to get some money from him.

"Our next meeting to be Dec_ 4 at Millies in Lynn principally to check up & finalize plans for the Forum Dec_ 7, 1961 at Saugus_"

[redacted] advised he would be alert to the development of further identifying data concerning (FNU) [redacted] and (FNU) [redacted] mentioned herein.

[redacted] also furnished literature from "New England Turn Toward Peace", 1 Mercer Circle, Cambridge 38, Massachusetts, which had been received by him through the mail. This is being placed in the 1-A section of the Boston file on Turn Toward Peace.

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information furnished above.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100- 56579) DATE: DEC 15 1961

FROM : SA [redacted]

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Extreme caution must be exercised with respect to dissemination of the information herein since, by its nature, it tends to identify CG 5824-S*, a valuable informant, as the source thereof. Unless this information is obtained from a source other than CG 5824-S*, it should not be incorporated - even in paraphrased form - in the investigative section of a report.

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On 12/14/61, CG 5824-S* advised SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON as follows:

CG 5824-S* spent most of the day of 12/14/61, in briefing GUS HALL concerning matters currently being reported to the Bureau by the Chicago Office under the caption "SOLO; IS-C." HALL mentioned the following with respect to the present CPUSA domestic situation:

HALL initiated the plan to reduce the "ostensible" leadership of the Party, and was vigorously opposed by members of the top leadership and by the Party's lawyers. ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN was one of the chief supporters of HALL's plan. After considerable debate at a National Board meeting, the issue was submitted to a subcommittee consisting of PHIL BART, JACK STACHEL, and JAMES ALLEN. The said committee, after submitting a report opposing the plan, was instructed to further discuss the issue and to bring back a report in favor of HALL's plan. The second report of the subcommittee was in favor of HALL's plan.

The effect of the plan is not to abolish leadership activities, but rather to abolish only Party leadership titles. None of the leaders have resigned. Party committees still exist, and the work of the Party continues through the functioning of its various committees. With the exception of the CPUSA National Committee, which will not convene, the other committees, with possibly one or two exceptions, will continue to function as heretofor.

CP district organizations are operating under the same plan: Committees have been divided and sub-divided for security reasons, the over-all control of such committees being exercised by "a co-ordinator" without other title. WILLIAM ALBERTSON is the "co-ordinator or person in charge" of New York County.

DOROTHY HEALEY strongly opposed HALL's plan, for she labored under the misapprehension that leadership functions were being abolished rather than mere titles. Sheinsisted

that the Party was not "kidding" anybody by announcing that Party jobs were being abolished and that leaders were resigning.

In HALL's opinion, the government does not have "a good legal case," and will not "move fast" against the Party. He stated that there is considerable support of the Party's position, and noted that many professors have publicly protested the government's "persecution" of the Party.

With regard to matters of current interest in the Party, HALL stated that he is considering removing PHIL BART from his present position of CPUSA Organizational Secretary and giving the position to MICHAEL DAVIDOW. HALL's reason for replacing BART was that because of the latter's illness and general incompetence he should be removed from his position as CPUSA Organizational Secretary.

HALL also stated that he still plans to make ARNOLD JOHNSON head of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship.

HALL also noted that JIM ALLEN is temporarily exercising the functions of ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG. HALL hopes that by reason of health and age, TRACHTENBERG will retire. If he should, JIM ALLEN would be TRACHTENBERG's successor in all of TRACHTENBERG's operations, including control of "International Publishers." HALL noted that although, before going to the hospital, recently for surgery, TRACHTENBERG had signed over his interests in various projects to the Party, he is still the record owner of the Jefferson Book Shop.

HALL also stated that in the near future he will go to the West Coast "to straighten out the trouble there." He said that telegrams sent by ARCHIE BROWN to KHRUSHCHEV with reference to nuclear tests had been endorsed by the District Board. He also stated that the "People's World" had been reorganized "to separate it from the Party and to make it seem somewhat anti-Soviet." HALL referred to MICKIE LIMA as "a weak leader."

With further reference to JIM ALLEN's possibly replacing TRACHTENBERG, HALL said that he hoped that ALLEN, in TRACHTENBERG's position, would establish "closer contact with the Soviets."

JAMES JACKSON, editor of "The Worker," according to HALL, will take a month's leave of absence about the first of the year to write a book on the "Negro Question."

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TO : SAC, BOSTON (100-18969)
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1-100- ("NATIONAL GUARDIAN")
1-97-169 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS, INC.)
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1-100- [redacted]
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"Thursday, Oct. 12 - Charlie Piper attended an enlarged section meeting of the North Shore section of the Communist Party of New England held at the home of Vic Piekarski in Lynn.

"Attending were: Vic Piekarski, Charlie Piper, Elsie Piper, Lew Gordon, Millie Goodwin, Nick Denesuk.

"Vic reported that George Vasi was still in the hospital very ill.

"Elsie gave a report on the Democratic Assembly held at the St. Nicholas Arena in New York on Sept. 23 and 24.

"Elsie said that she attended this assembly along with [redacted] and Sol Fisher and that it was well attended and included a large number of youth. b6 b7C

"She said that several victims of the McCarran act spoke and stressed that a fight against the McCarran Act was not only a fight for the Communist Party but was a fight to protect all Americans - labor, negros and others.

"Vic asked Elsie if the assembly had adjourned and Elsie replied that they had recessed so that in the event it was needed the assembly could be called into session again and the delegates invited to attend again.

"Vic asked how many delegates attended from New England and Elsie replied that there were 17 from New England., that is: Mass., Conn., N. H., Vt. and Me. Elsie said that there were several delegates from Conn. but she did not know how many.

"Vic asked Elsie if she knew the delegates from New England and Elsie said she knew most of them and named some of them - Ann Timson, Meyer Clarfield, [redacted] herself, Bob Pollock, [redacted] Sol Fisher, Ernie Audet, Joe Costa, [redacted]

"Elsie said she felt that [redacted] had been happy to see June Gordon in attendance. She thought the Emma Lazarus was a sponsor of the affair.

"Elsie said she feels that [redacted] will help in this area for defense against the McCarran Act. b6 b7C

"Lew Gordon and Charlie Piper gave a report of the last D. C. meeting held at Otis Hood's house.

"They reported that Ann Timson had reported on the Democratic assembly held in New York and stated that there had been an attendance of 1200.

"That Ann had said that there had been a lack of union participation at the assembly. That 17 delegates had attended from this area.

"They said that Ann had reported that a colored person by the name of [redacted] from Winthrop was at the assembly although he had not been invited and had asked her if she was going to head the defense committee in New England.

"They said that Ann reported that this [redacted] works for various lawyers looking up data on cases for them and that the Party had been suspicious of him for some time.

"Millie interrupted saying she had come in contact with [redacted] at peace meetings and had been suspicious of him.

"Phil Bart had said that the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee of New York had set up the assembly and they had many sponsors.

"They reported that Bart told of some trouble within the Communist Party in New York - saying that there were a few people who wanted to dissolve the Party but the matter had been taken care of.

"They told how Bart explained that factionalism is not always evident on the surface-that sometimes it takes steps such as not calling meetings regularly and also not attending meetings regularly.

"They reported that Bart had said that a leaflet, 'The Dangerous Crisis of War' by James S. Allen was very good and he felt that someone should send the entire article.

"They reported that [redacted] had read this article. b6 b7C

"At this D. C. it was decided to order copies of the leaflet to be used for mailing by the clubs.

"They reported that Lew Gordon had given a report on [redacted] at the DC in which he stressed that the U.N. forces had no legal right in Berlin.

"They reported that Otis Hood reported on the meeting of the appointed committee of Otis, Lew Gordon and [redacted] with Homer Chase.

"They reported that Otis had said that Homer had denied mailing out the two letters - one attacking the Gus Hall article and the other an attack on the Party policy on elections.

"They said that Otis said Homer had said that he had said some of the things mentioned in the letters and maybe someone heard them and used them.

"They said that Otis reported that Homer had said that he agreed with some of the context of the letters.

"They reported that Bob Pollock had wanted a new committee formed of himself, [redacted] to take up the question of Homer but the members were against this.

"They reported that the DC agreed that Otis should write a letter to Homer asking him to write a critical letter on the content of the questioned letters which had been circulated. It was said that Homer had asked for an assignment and it was felt that this should be his assignment.

"Millie said she had been unable to attend the last meeting of the Boston Committee for Disarmament and Peace

"and she had not heard from [redacted] about the meeting. She said she would have to call some people to find out what has happened.

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"Charlie said that Ann Timson had reported at the D. C. meeting that the Peace meeting to be held on Wednesday, Oct. 4 was a meeting of all the Peace Groups to be held at the Friends Meeting House in Cambridge.

"Charlie said that Ann reported that they were to discuss the four points agreed on at a New York peace meeting - (1) Seating the Chinese Peoples' Republic; (2) the Berlin situation; (3) Banning nuclear testing; (4) Disarmament.

"Millie said that she had not been able to attend due to the fact she had to participate in a school function with her children.

"We made preparations for the coming party at which Arnold Johnson would attend and speak.

"Elsie said that her house could be used for the party.

"Elsie and Millie decided on people that they would invite as soon as it was definitely sure that Johnson would attend.

"Lew Gordon said that there would be a defense meeting in Boston on Monday night at the house of [redacted] and that Ann Timson would be at this meeting and would be able to tell us if Arnold Johnson would be attending our party.

"Vic asked Elsie if she could go to this meeting at [redacted] and Elsie made arrangements to go in with Vic.

"Charlie asked Elsie to read a portion of the Allen article under the heading of 'Steps To Peace.'

"As the time was late we did not discuss this.

"While having coffee and cake in the kitchen Vic brought up the fact that we need money for the section and

"wondered if there was something we could sell previous to Christmas that would make money for us.

"Vic said that he had brought up such things to sell as Christmas cards, pocketbooks, etc. at a recent executive committee me ting.

"After some discussion on this we agreed that we had no article in mind that would sell well."

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information furnished above.

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12/12/61

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Remarks:

The following individual was seen at CPUSA headquarters on 12/11/61:

Phil Bart

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On 11/2/61, NY 1623-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the CPUSA reported the following payroll for the third quarter of 1961 under provisions of the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (For Social Security):

Social Security Account Number	Name of Employee	Wages Paid in Quarter
356-14-9954	BART, PHILIP	$ 1445.00
[redacted]	[redacted]	1350.00
292-09-0254	HALL, GUS	1620.00
203-26-5820	LUKER, HYMAN	1170.00
[redacted]	[redacted]	675.00
[redacted]	[redacted]	1170.00
111-29-1694	SHULMAN, RUTH	300.00
023-10-5427	STANLEY, WILLIAM	1105.00
113-01-4233	WEINSTONE, WILLIAM	1445.00
061-12-1414	WINSTON, HENRY	595.00

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1 - New York (100-56579) (PHILIP BART) (415)
1 - New York (100-23825) [redacted] (415)
1 - New York (100-84994) (GUS HALL) (415)
1 - New York (100-105078) (HY LUKER) (415)
1 - New York (100-123498) [redacted] (415)
1 - New York (100-68934) [redacted]
1 - New York (100-67234) (RUTH SHULMAN) (424)
(WILLIAM STANLEY)
1 - New York (100-9595) (WILLIAM WEINSTONE)
1 - New York (100-269) (HENRY WINSTON)

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In addition this source furnished a photographic copy of Form W-4 completed by [redacted] a copy of which is being made an attachment copy designated for NY file 100-129498. This is the file on [redacted] who is believed to be identical with [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-102320) Date: 12/20/61

FROM : SA WILLIAM J. BARRON (#415)

SUBJECT: CPUSA vs. SACB
IS-C; ISA, 1950

Re memo of ASAC NORMAN H. MC CABE, 11/21/61.

Referenced memo concerns a telephone conversation between Mr. MC CABE and Inspector J. A. SIZOO, during which it was resolved that increased coverage of CP leaders during the "critical period" would be desirable.

With a view toward this end, a photographic surveillance was maintained at 23 W. 26th St., NYC, during the period 11/20/61 - 12/1/61, inclusive.

The following is a list of individuals photographed entering or leaving these premises during the pertinent period.

These photographs are exhibited in file 100-102320-1B92-97, inclusive, and the photo logs are maintained in file 100-4931-Sub 0.

It is to be noted that due to the nature of the photo surveillance, some of these photos do not include the faces of all the individuals, and that should these photos be considered for evidentiary or identification purposes, they should be used on a selective basis.

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1-NY 100-54965 (415)	JOHN JACOB ABT	11/21
1-NY 100-129629 (414)	WILLIAM ALBERTSON	11/20,27
1-NY 100-32826 (415)	JAMES ALLEN	11/22,30
1-NY 100-56579 (415)	PHIL BART	11/20,21,22
1-NY 100-9369 (414)	TED BASSETT	11/27
1-NY 100- (415)	BRADFORD BINGHAM	11/20
1-NY 100-15828 (415)	JOSEPH BRANDT	11/20,21
1-NY 100- (414)	[redacted]	11/29
1-NY 101-559 (415)	JESUS COLON	11/22,27,28,29
1-NY 100-23825 (415)	BEN DAVIS	11/20,21,22,24,27,28

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1-NY 100-13483	(414)	BETTY GANNETT	11/22,27
1-NY 100-84994	(415)	GUS HALL	11/21,22,24,27,28,29, 30;12/1
1-NY 100-7658	(415)	LEM HARRIS	12/1
1-NY 100-16785	(415)	JAMES JACKSON	11/21,22,24,27,28;12/1
1-NY 100-16021	(415)	ARNOLD JOHNSON	11/20,21,22,27,28;12/1
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1-NY 100-98699	(412)	CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT	11/29,30;12/1
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1-NY 100-1158	(415)	JIM LUSTIG	11/21
1-NY 100-	(412)	GEORGE MEYERS	11/27
(1-Baltimore 100-12076)			
1-NY 100-13202	(415)	GEORGE MORRIS	11/28
1-NY 100-84275	(414)	WILLIAM PATTERSON	11/22,24,27
1-NY 100-48033	(415)	IRVING POTASH	11/20,21,22,28,30;12/1
1-NY 100-68934	(422)	JEAN SMITH	11/27
1-NY 100-18065	(415)	JACK STACHEL	11/21,24,27,28,29;12/1
1-NY 100-49430	(412)	PAT TOOHEY	11/22
(1-Newark 100-19491)			
1-NY 100-15946	(422)	JAMES TORMEY	11/22,27,28;12/1
1-NY 100-21421	(415)	ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG	11/21
1-NY 100-26018	(415)	LOUIS WEINSTOCK	11/27,29
1-NY 100-9595	(415)	WILLIAM WEINSTONE	11/30
1-NY 100-27539	(412)	CARL WINTER	12/1
(1-Detroit 100-13420)			

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-102320)

FROM : SUPV. JOHN J. KEARNEY DATE: 12/26/61

SUBJECT: U.S. V. CPUSA
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On [redacted] furnished SA VINCENT F. CLANCY with the following information:

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Any subpoena issued should be directed to

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Date: 12/26/61

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Via AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, (100-372598)

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-102320)

SUBJECT: U.S. V. CPUSA
(PROPOSED INVESTIGATIONS
UNDER SECTION 2 AND SECTION
371, TITLE 18, USC)
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ReBuairtel, 12/21/61.

One copy of each of the following reports is enclosed:

TITLE	DATE	REPORTING AGENT	REPORTING OFFICE
IRVING POTASH	12/15/61	[redacted]	New York
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JACOB ABRAHAM STACHEL	12/15/61	[redacted]	New York
ARNOLD SAMUEL JOHNSON	12/15/61	ROBERT G. SWEENEY	New York
JAMES EDWARD JACKSON	12/14/61	ROBERT G. OFTEDAL	New York
PHILIP BART	12/15/61	HAROLD P. QUINN	New York
BENJAMIN J. DAVIS	12/15/61	[redacted]	New York
JOSEPH JAMES TORMEY	12/15/61	ROBERT G. SWEENEY	New York
GUS HALL	12/15/61	DONALD E. HARTNETT	New York
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-102320) DATE: 12/28/61

FROM : SA ROBERT L. PIETSCH

SUBJECT: U.S. V. CPUSA
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ReBuairtel, 12/8/61.

On 12/22/61, FRED BAUMGARDNER of the Bureau stated reports on members of the national committee who are being considered for prosecution should be submitted every 45 days rather than the present 90 days.

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In view of the sensitivity of this informant, the utmost care must be utilized to carefully paraphrase this information prior to dissemination in order to protect the identity of this informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Informant's report follows:

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"11/28/61

"Tuesday, Nov. 21 - Charlie Piper attended a section meeting of the Communist Party of the North Shore held at the home of Lew Gordon in Lynn.

"Attending were Charlie Piper, Elsie Piper, Sol Fisher, Nick Denesuk, Vic Piekarski, Millie Goodwin, Lew Gordon.

"Charlie Piper gave a report of the last D.C. meeting.

"Charlie told how Phil Bart talked on the McCarran law and gave the dates when the various aspects of the law come into effect.

"Charlie told how the Government according to Phil Bart had asked the officers of the Communist Party to sign a paper extending the time when the Government's income tax case against the Party.

"Charlie said that Phil Bart said that this was a way the Government thought they could get the officers of the Party to sign their names as officers of the Party.

"Charlie said that Bart said that they could not sign such a paper.

"Charlie told how Bart reported that Ben Davis was refused permission to speak at a New York University and how 1200 students had set up a meeting and had gone to the Party headquarters and had Ben Davis speak before a recorder which was used at this meeting.

"Charlie told how Ann Timpson had reported that most of the clubs were not meeting regularly and how he (Charlie) had told those attending the D.C. that they had skipped over an important comment by Ann Timpson when she said that the clubs were not meeting.

"Charlie said that the D.C. then assigned various members to see that the clubs did meet.

"Charlie told how Otis Hood told of the reactionary groups which are springing up such as the John Birch Society and the followers of Gen. Walker.

"He said that Otis said that this fact is not all bad but will help many people who are 'on the fence' to make up their minds.

"Charlie said that Ann Timpson had given him a circular of the Community Church which announced a coming meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 29 at Community Church, 'The [redacted] Case - A Miscarriage of American Justice' with the speakers being [redacted] and [redacted]

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"Charlie asked Millie to give a report on Peace.

"Millie said she had not heard of anything new in the Boston Committee for Disarmament and Peace.

"Millie said that she had been contacted by the Turn Toward Peace Committee and they had sent her some of their literature which she passed around for those attending to look at.

"One piece of literature was a leaflet entitled 'Turn Toward Peace' with a heading, 'Will You Help Initiate New England Turn Toward Peace?'

"The other was a card to be filled in and sent back with name, address, phone number filled in and a place checked if the person can volunteer time or contribute money.

"Both pieces of literature have the address 1 Mercer Circle, Cambridge 38, Mass. on them. Tel. UN 4-5893. Charlie asked Vic to report on the Forum at the Universalist Church in Saugus.

"Vic said that he had seen Jim Bollen and the date for the first Forum has been set for Thursday, Dec. 7 at the church.

"Vic said the speaker will be a man by the name of [redacted] of the NAACP, who will speak on the negro in the labor movement, and the negro's chances in industry.

"Vic said that we would be able to give this man ideas on what he would speak about and that this man would point out that at the General Electric Apprentice School there has never been a negro admitted to the school.

"Elsie said that to enter this school a person has to pass a rigid test and that it is not just a question of who the General Electric desires.

"Vic said he understands this but if a person could pass a college entrance exam they could pass the entrance exam for the Apprentice School.

"Vic said that Jim and the Minister would see that notice of the Forum gets into the Lynn and Saugus papers.

"Millie said we should be careful not to get too many people that we invite to the Forum to make it look as if we are 'padding' the Forum.

"Charlie said that he does not believe we can get too many people there that it will look that way.

"Millie replied that she thinks Charlie is right.

"Charlie asked Vic if he would give a report on Homer Chase's meeting on the previous Sunday evening.

"Vic said that there were about thirty-two people present. He mentioned such people as - Joe Chase, Homer Chase, Oliver Chase and his son [redacted] Otis Hood, Ann Timpson, Dan Schirmer, Vic Piekarski (himself), Sol Fisher, [redacted] Mary and [redacted] Carlson, Florence Luscomb, [redacted] Phil [redacted] and some Armenians as being present. b6 b7C

"Vic said that Otis and Ann spoke and said that although they have differed with Homer they felt that all should put ideological differences aside and help others who are victims of the McCarran law.

"Vic said that Homer and Phil Koritz spoke and Homer was very different than the Homer we had seen in the past. Vic said that Homer had said that his brother Joe had told him to 'give the Sub-Committee hell' but he (Homer) did not feel that this would be the right thing to do.

"Vic said that Ann Timson had sat down an evening with Homer and she evidently had convinced him of how to act before the Sub-Committee in Washington.

"Vic said that [redacted] and Mary Carlson would be in charge of funds and [redacted] would be the chairman of this committee.

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"Vic said that he thought something had been established now as far as a defense committee was concerned and he thought that it was something that some of those attending and signing up as volunteers for work were not members of the Party.

"Vic said that Ann Timpson would let either himself or Elsie know on the date for a defense meeting which would either be Nov. 29 or 30th.

"Vic reported on the meeting of Elsie and Charlie Piper and himself with [redacted]

"Vic said that before Charlie and Elsie arrived [redacted] had accused us of 'using' [redacted] Vic said that apparently [redacted] has the feeling he just wants to have a easy living and have [redacted] keep out of any controversy.

"Charlie and Vic told of how [redacted] had approached a Rabbi in Swampscott and how the Rabbi had asked her what the purpose of the Emma Lazarus organization was and who the officers were.

"Vic said that [redacted] had been receiving anti-Communist literature which depicts things that are happening to Jews in Russia.

"Millie said she has been receiving this literature for a long time.

"Vic and Millie both said they believe that the F.B.I. sends this literature out.

"Elsie said in regard to helping Homer Chase that she would help him financially as much as she could but felt that she should contribute through the Party.

"Elsie also said that she does not want anyone in Lynn calling her from their homes. She said she did not think this to be a smart thing to do.

"Charlie asked about the Fund Drive and Vic said he intends to see Nathan Gass alone and try to get some money from him.

"Vic said that at Homer's meeting on Sunday evening about $146 was collected.

"We set the date of the next meeting for Monday, Dec. 4, to be held at Millie Goodwins in Lynn.

"At this meeting we asked to finalize plans for the Forum to be held at the Universalist Church in Saugus on Dec. 7th."

All necessary action has been taken with respect to information furnished above.

The Stalin Cult

By WILLIAM WEINSTONE

A NUMBER of questions have been raised by progressive-minded people about the action of the 22nd Congress of the CPSU on Stalin, such as why the further and drastic action now? Was the rise of the Stalin cult due to some inherent weaknesses in the socialist system? I shall try to answer these questions in this article and others which apply to the international aspects of the cult at another time.

Stalin was removed from the Lenin mausoleum as the resolution of the Congress stated, because his mispractices in grossly violating socialist democracy and legality were in crass opposition to Lenin's teachings. He did great harm in unjustly condemning to death large numbers of innocent people, including a great many outstanding Communist Party leaders who had a long record of excellent services to the Revolution and to the working class movement. He also committed a number of serious theoretical and political errors which hurt not only the progress of the Soviet Union but of other socialist states and the international working class movement as well. He was therefore unworthy of lying in state in the honored place next to Lenin. His remains were moved to the Cemetery of Heroes where Jacob Sverdlov, secretary of the Bolshevik Party during the Revolution and first President of the Russian Socialist Federated Soviet Republic, Frunzi, Dzerzhinski and other great figures of the Revolution lie buried.

Thus Stalin was downgraded publicly for his mistakes but the Congress did not nullify the previous estimate that Stalin's record contained also a positive side, that he had done much for the Soviet Union and for the entire international working class movement. The new history of the CPSU published in 1960 quoted Khrushchev that "we see two sides to Comrades Stalin's activities, the positive side which we support and value highly and the negative side which we criticize, condemn and repudiate."

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THE FURTHER action in regard to the cult was taken for several reasons. First, because this Congres was the body that had to pass judgment on the execution of the decisions of the 20th Congress held in 1956 which called for a resolute struggle against the Stalin cult of the individual. The 21st Congress was an extraordinary gathering.

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THE CULT of the individual is not a Russian or socialist phenomenom. Its roots lie in the world outlook of feudalism and bourgeous individualism. The United States, with its strong bourgeous ideology, abounds with hero-worship for the "strong," all-powerful individual. The Russian conditions were favorable to the rise of the cult of the individual even under the democratic conditions of socialism because of the long traditions of Czarism and bureaucracy. These backward traditions were carried over into the new society and were constantly warned against and fought by Lenin. The danger of bureaucracy and one-man or group concentration of power rose sharply in the severe conditions following the coming of Hitler to power and the possibility of war. Centralization of authority became necessary and Stalin as Lenin had forseen did not know how to use such great power properly. That is why Lenin before his death proposed that Stalin be removed as general-secretary. Unfortunately his advice was not heeded.

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IT IS SAID that it is against the teachings of Marxism, to ascribe such grave mistakes to a single individual. But such is not the case. Marxism - Leninism teaches that individuals do not make history in the sense of changing the social structure of society or its main historic direction. That can be done only by masses, by classes. But individuals can affect the rate of progress, to accelerate or retard it. As Lenin wrote, "No class in history has achieved supremacy without producing its own political leaders, its own advanced representatives, capable of organizing the movement and directing it."

It was because Stalin had certain traits that were helpful to the working class that he was an outstanding leader. But as Lenin noted, he had other traits which were harmful. In ordinary times these bad traits would not have been so significant because they would have been checked by the accepted standards of socialism. But the times under which Stalin was acting were not ordinary. The building of socialism in an economically and culturally backward country under conditions of capitalist encirclement, of bitter class struggle and attacks by groups hostile to the party demanded for a time a high degree of centralization.

Stalin carried this centralization to an extreme, concentrated excessive power in his own hands and violated the Leninist principles of collective leadership. Under these conditions his negative qualities were very harmful. These then were some of the objective and subjective reasons for the rise of the cult. It was not inherent in socialism which fights to get rid of the past and seeks to extend democracy and widen the role of the masses of the people.

held solely to approve the figures for the Seven Year Plan.

The 22nd Congress felt that the fight against the cult of the individual was a matter of concern to the entire Soviet population. Only by involving the entire Soviet people could the conditions be created for the full eradication of this tumor on socialist society. To assure against its recurrence it must be completely uprooted. Like some malignancies, it is not possible to do it in one major surgical operation. Several are sometimes necessary, if it is to be entirely cleaned out of the system.

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A SECOND REASON for the decisiveness of the Congress in this matter is the fact that in the period between the 20th Congress, a group of leaders including those that had occupied topmost posts in the Party and the Government during the Stalin period—Molotov, Malenkov, Bulganin, Voroshilov and others attempted to take over leadership of the Party by a coup deletat and to restore the line and practices of the latter Stalin period. At the 20th Congress these leaders had voted for a struggle against the cult of the individual but in 1957, they reversed their position and began to fight bitterly the new policies of the Central Committee headed by N. S. Khrushchev. They received a severe defeat at the June 1957 meeting of the Central Committee and were isolated in the Party.

Molotov, however, on the eve of the 22nd Congress, opposed the new program of building communism as non-revolutionary and revisionist. Despite the great successes of the Soviet Union at home and abroad, Molotov still adheres to his dogmatic conservative views, failing to see the new relationship of world forces, the growing supremacy of the world of socialism which makes possible new policies and new concepts in regard to the struggle for peace and for the advance of world socialism. The struggle to liquidate fully the effects of the Stalin cult of the individual is furthermore necessary because the cult exists in the leadership of the Albanian Party which has crassly departed from the historic decisions of the 81 Communist and Workers Parties adopted in November 1960.

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THIRDLY, it was necessary to act resolutely because the country is moving forward to a new historic stage, the building of the classless society of Communism. To reach this new peak of man's progress, the encumbrances of the past, above all of everything that hinders the creativeness of the people must be swept aside and the road cleared for a great surge forward. This was done by the 22nd Congress.

The Stalin cult was not due to the Socialist system or to the principles of democratic centralism in leadership of the Communist Party and the Soviet government as the capitalist class has been saying. This is shown in the fact that despite the severe harm of the period of the cult, the Soviet Union defeated Nazism and saved civilization from the Hitler hordes. In the face of almost insuperable obstacles, it industrialized the country, raised it to a first-rate power and built a powerful and fully developed socialist land. It was the Communist Party and its leadership itself which exposed and is eradicating the influences of the cult indicating thereby the basic soundness of the socialist system and the principles of the Communist Party.

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At C.P. headquarters on Dec. 19/61 these people were seen. Time 3:15 P.M.

ELIZABETH LAWSON	JIM LUSTIG
BEN DAVIS	ERIC BERT
ARNOLD JOHNSON	JIM JACKSON
PHIL BART	LOUIS WEINSTOCK
[redacted]	GEORGE MORRIS
BING ?	DOROTHY ROBINSON
IRVING POTASH	ADA BRODSKY
ED ROYCE	MIKE GOLD
BERNICE LINTON	SARAH JAFFE

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ELIZABETH LAWSON and BEN DAVIS were in the 3rd floor reception office. BEN was dictating a letter and ELIZABETH typed as he dictated. BING ? sat in a chair nearby and read a paper then went into a back room and soon came out with PHIL BART - both with hats and coats- They went down in the elevator.

Someone called and ELIZABETH LAWSON answered and seemed to be surprised that the person asked for MIKE GOLD. Then she said to BEN DAVIS that MIKE GOLD is back. He said he knew it.

ARNOLD JOHNSON came from a back room with hat and coat on and his briefcase in his hand. He walked down the steps.

On the 2nd floor [redacted] was typing a letter from a lined yellow sheet of paper such as WM. PATTERSON uses. She excused herself saying she had to get the letter finished in a hurry. No one else was seen there.

ERIC BERT and JIM JACKSON were in the Worker Office. The door was open and they could both be seen at their desks. That door is usually open.

Later, on the first floor in the Worker Office, ADA BRODSKY was seen sitting at the desk sorting cards that looked like subscription records. DOROTHY ROBINSON was seen going to the basement. She did not return.

In a small room behind ADA BRODSKY's desk (through a window) there could be seen - JIM LUSTIG talking with BERNICE LINTON. They could be heard as well.

BERNICE was telling JIM LUSTIG about something that had happened at the bazaar. A woman brought in a box of jewelry and said she wanted to make a contribution. She asked where she could set it up and said she wanted to sell it herself. BERNICE asked her why and she said she wanted to get at least $25 for it and was willing to give half of it to the bazaar. BERNICE said she told her that she would have to see JIM LUSTIG and the woman said she didn't know him. When BERNICE asked her who she had made such an agreement with she said "no one." So BERNICE left the woman there and went to find JIM LUSTIG and couldn't find him, so went back to find the woman gone. The box of jewelry was still on the table. BERNICE said it was, so she thought, far too valuable to be left there with the other things so she took the box and put it under the counter and told the woman that was handling that counter not to sell anything from that box. It seems the woman never did return and so BERNICE took the box and still has it and has no idea who it belongs to.

She was also heard asking JIM LUSTIG if he got the money back on the deposits. It is not known what that means. But JIM said he had "just about." She said that it was very important that people believe the bazaar was a success. Then there was some talk about holding a rummage sale later on.

About this time - ED ROYCE came in and LOUIS WEINSTOCK came in with MIKE GOLD. ADA BRODSKY ran around the desk and hugged and kissed MIKE. ARNOLD JOHNSON and IRVING POTASH came in, too, and GEORGE MORRIS came from a rear room.

Later ED ROYCE worked on some papers and was heard to tell LOUIS WEINSTOCK that he had been to the American Drapery- and he said he still had several others to "cover."

BERNICE LINTON contradicted herself when she said that they had not had enough stuff to sell, and then said that very few people showed up at the bazaar on Sunday. Then forgetting she had said that she said they would hold a rummage sale later on to sell on the stuff that was left over. SARAH JAFFE asked her if they had sold all of those nice overcoats and suits and she said "goodness, no, they were all on consignment." She and JIM LUSTIG came out into the office when MIKE GOLD came in.

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THOMAS NABRIED

PH T-1

PH T-1 is a member of the Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware (CPEPD).

On October 18, 1960, PH T-1 advised that on October 17, 1960, FRANCES GABOW, the Organizational Secretary, CPEPD, advised PH T-1 that the Communist Party USA (CPUSA), including the CPEPD, was going to be reorganized. GABOW said that there were currently two cases pending before the U. S. Supreme Court which involved the CPUSA. The Supreme Court was to render decisions on these cases before May 1961. If the decisions were unfavorable to the CP, the present CP leadership would go to jail. Therefore, it is necessary to train new leadership before May 1961. GABOW stated that this new leadership should be approximately thirty years of age.

GABOW also disclosed that on October 8, 1960, the problem of training new leadership for the CPEPD was discussed at a District Committee, CPEPD, meeting. PH T-1 was selected for leadership training on a trial basis. GABOW said that she and THOMAS NABRIED, the District Chairman, CPEPD, would afford PH T-1 the necessary training.

PH T-1 reported on October 20, 1960, that he attended a District Committee, CPEPD, meeting held on October 19, 1960. This was one of the first steps in his training indoctrination.

PH T-1 advised on October 27, 1960, that he reported to the CPEPD Office, 250 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on October 20, 1960, where he received instructions in operating a typewriter and a mimeograph machine.

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THOMAS NABRIED

PH T-1 on November 8, 1960, stated that he received additional training at the CPEPD Office, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on November 7, 1960, from FRANCES GABOW and THOMAS NABRIED. FRANCES GABOW, in the presence of THOMAS NABRIED, instructed PH T-1 that he was to take over her duties for one month while she was out of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. PH T-1 was also instructed to make himself available for any assignment THOMAS NABRIED might deem necessary while she is out of town.

PH T-1 on December 6, 1961, reported that on November 27, 1961, THOMAS NABRIED made these comments at 2833 North Fifth Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania:

> Because of the Mc Carran Act, a reorganization was under way in the Party. After the reorganization, it would be difficult to associate Party members with the Party, but the Party would continue to function. The plan is to decrease the size of the Party's clubs and have the Party members become active in mass organizations.

PH T-2

PH T-2 is a member of the CPEPD.

PH T-2 on November 20, 1961, stated that at a meeting of the Unity Club, CPEPD, which was held on November 15, 1961, at 1345 West Susquehanna Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, THOMAS NABRIED made these statements:

> The Unity Club and other CP clubs, as a result of the registration decision, will cease to function as CP clubs. The individual club members will be placed in organizations, such as the Parent Teachers Association and trade union groups. After the CP clubs are dissolved, members will meet in groups of from six to eight persons.

THOMAS NABRIED

PH T-3

PH T-3 is a member of the CPEPD.

PH T-3 on November 29, 1961, reported that a meeting of the District Executive Committee, CPEPD, was held on November 20, 1961, at 2342 Orkney Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. THOMAS NABRIED, Chairman, CPEPD, attended this meeting. One of the points for discussion was the reorganization of the Party in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, because of the Mc Carran Act.

FRANCES GABOW, District Organizational Secretary, CPEPD, stated "they" did not know what was going to take place, but the Party must be able to remain in a position where it would not be put out of commission if its leaders and officers were arrested. GABOW said this is a possibility.

PH T-4

PH T-4 is a member of the CPEPD.

PH T-4 on October 10, 1961, advised that a meeting of the City Committee, CPEPD, was held on October 9, 1961, at 4238 Parkside Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. THOMAS NABRIED announced at this meeting that CP members are not to use the telephone to advise one another concerning planned CP meetings, in view of the recent Supreme Court CP registration decision. NABRIED said he will try to advise members personally in the future concerning dates, times, and places of CP meetings. NABRIED stated that this matter of CP security is to be discussed in detail at a meeting of the City Committee, CPEPD, in the near future.

FRANCES GABOW, the District Organizational Secretary, CPEPD, stated that CP members must start using underground tactics. When traveling to CP meetings, CP members must use evasive actions, such as taking two and three modes of transportation.

THOMAS NABRIED

PH T-4 on November 2, 1961, said that a Unity Club, CPEPD, meeting was held on November 1, 1961, at 2833 North Fifth Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. THOMAS NABRIED made these comments concerning the Supreme Court decision relating to the CP registering:

> The CP is carefully watching developments. The Party has until December 20, 1961, to register. The top CP leadership will not register even though they are well known.
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> The CP clubs will be broken down into membership groups of not more than eight and not less than four members. All members will be given assignments in organizations, such as Parent Teachers groups, church groups, and block organizations. These members will report their progress to a designated person. Instructions will come to the members from people, such as FRANCES GABOW and himself, and it will be by mail and possibly by other means. The little members are especially valued and they are to be protected in view of the danger to leaders who are known to the Government. There must be no panic.

PH T-4 on November 20, 1961, advised that at a meeting of the City Committee, CPEPD, held on November 13, 1961, at 3323 West Cumberland Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, THOMAS NABRIED made these comments relative to the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision requiring the CP to register under the Internal Security Act of 1950:

> As a result of the recent National Committee, CPUSA, meeting, the CP leaders and members will not register as required by this law. CP clubs will be dissolved as such and members will, in the near future, meet in groups of four to eight persons. The CP members will be given

jobs to do in trade unions, Parent Teachers Associations, and other organizations.

The CP members must not be frightened and must not panic, as a result of the registration decision. There will not be any registration. If members do register it could mean jail, being fined, or worse. Security has become very important and extreme care must be used in handling notes and material. In the future, members will be notified in person concerning meetings.

The City Committee will be dissolved as such, but its members will meet in the future.

PH T-5

PH T-5 is a member of the CPEPD.

PH T-5 on November 3, 1961, reported that a Unity Club, CPEPD, meeting was held on November 1, 1961, at 2833 North Fifth Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. THOMAS NABRIED made these comments at this meeting concerning the June 1961, decisions of the Supreme Court relative to the Mc Carran Act and the Smith Act:

Nationally and locally, Communists do not expect to register. If club members get registration forms, they should not fill them out.

In the future, there will be no more than eight people in each CP club. Some of the CP clubs will be smaller in number. The CP members will not go into hiding. If necessary, the CP members will be placed in mass organizations, but they will also meet as members of CP clubs. There is nothing to be alarmed about, because the names of the CP members are not going to be disclosed, nor will they be identified as members by the national organization of the CPUSA.

THOMAS NABRIED

PH T-5 on November 28, 1961, advised that a meeting of the Unity Club, CPEPD, was held on November 15, 1961, at 1345 West Susquehanna Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. THOMAS NABRIED made these comments at this meeting:

> There is nothing to be alarmed about in connection with the U. S. Government's plan to either force Communists to register or prosecute them. He indicated the CP members would not register.
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> Concerning the reorganization of the CP, CP members will be placed in organizations, such as the Negro American Labor Council and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.
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> An education club will be formed which will handle education, literature, and press. There will also be a political action club.
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> He urged the CP members to join the groups he had mentioned in order to keep close ties with the masses of the people. Party members will go into these mass movements about the end of December 1961.

PH T-8

PH T-8 is a member of the CPEPD.

PH T-8 on November 20, 1961, stated that a meeting of the Southwest Philadelphia Club, CPEPD, was held on November 16, 1961, at 5732 Hazel Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. THOMAS NABRIED attended this meeting and made these comments:

> Some of the top leaders of the Party would probably be arrested to test the Mc Carran Act. If this happened, the Party would still have to continue to operate. The way the Party would operate is this - the members would join other groups and give leadership to these groups in order to provide protection for themselves. One big mistake the Party had made years ago was going underground, because the Party

The National Office still owes SARAH JAFFE about $10 and [redacted] asked SARAH if she was looking for money. SARAH said she was always looking for money. [redacted] asked her if she could wait until Friday. and promised to pay her then. This money has been promised several times and had not been paid in over a month.

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There was no evidence of any new work that had been done. The tables were clean except for a few notices about the classes in Social Science, etc. [redacted] and JEAN SMITH were not doing any work. [redacted] had a voucher book in front of her but had not made out any of them. No money was seen. It has been learned that SAUL GROSS has died. No one mentioned this.

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Dec. 23/61

At C.P. headquarters on Dec. 22/61 these people were seen.

ADA BRODSKY	JEAN SMITH
JESUS COLON	PHIL BART
DOROTHY ROBINSON	WM. PATTERSON
LOUIS WEINSTOCK	JIM LUSTIG
ELIZABETH LAWSON	ED ROYCE
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ADA BRODSKY and DOROTHY ROBINSON were in the worker office.

JIM LUSTIG and ED ROYCE were in the small room back of the office talking. Nothing could be heard. The window was closed.

LOUIS WEINSTOCK was seen leaving the place.

JESUS COLOR was seen going down the steps to the basement.

[redacted] was in the office on the 2nd floor. WM. PATTERSON was seen passing through going to the rear rooms.

JEAN SMITH, ELIZABETH LAWSON, PHIL BART and WM. PATTERSON were on the 3rd floor. (National Office.) WM. PATTERSON came up from the 2nd floor and went to the rear rooms where PHIL BART was seen to go.

JEAN SMITH said that [redacted] was out and would not return until after 4 P.M. It was then about 2 P.M. The visit there was a short one.

No one seemed to have any work to do.

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JEAN SMITH
[redacted]
ELIZABETH LAWSON
GUS HALL
PHIL BART
WM. WEINSTONE
BETTY GANNETT
ERIGERBERT
JIM JACKSON
LEM HARRIS
JACK STACHEL

JIM LUSTIG
DOROTHY ROBINSON
ADA BRODSKY
JULIUS HEIMAN
MURRAY ROSENBERG
BEN DAVIS
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SARAH JAFFE
PHIL BART

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SARAH JAFFE arrived a little before noon. The stencils were all ready. The work was done in the State office work room. [redacted] typed while the work was being run and helped with the collating as did JEAN SMITH, [redacted] and ELIZABETH LAWSON. Half of the work was taken to the National office and half was done on [redacted] desk in the State office. The work was finished by 2:30 P.M.

MURRAY ROSENBERG came in about 1:30 P.M. He talked to BETTY GANNETT in the State office. He stayed only a few minutes. What they said could not be heard as the machine was running but they were handling money (amount not known) and papers that looked like vouchers.

JIM LUSTIG, DOROTHY ROBINSON, JULIUS HEIMAN, ADA BRODSKY, and JACK STACHEL were seen in the Worker office, and now and again passing through the State office as well as the National Office. Once JACK STACHEL was heard asking who was "upstairs" with GUS HALL. Since that was in the National Office they could only be speaking of thepent-house. A little later GUS HALL was seen sitting in the National office talking with JACK STACHEL and WM. WEINSTONE.

BEN DAVIS was on his way out and was not seen again (a little after noon)

[redacted] was seen going up the steps from the State Office to the National office.

PHIL BART was in the National Office, in his room which is in the back of the main office. Now and then he was seen in the office talking to JEAN and [redacted]

Once [redacted] talked on the phone with some one and was saying that she wished she could go to Russia, too. From the conversation the person was talking about a trip they had made. After the phone call [redacted] told SARAH that she had a new boy friend who came here from Africa. She did not say if he was Black or white. But she said he wanted to take her back to Africa with him but she said that she had no desire to go to Africa "of all places." [redacted] said she was going to take a copy of thepapers that were run and read them as she was told by a friend "that when one reads this, they know that the C.P. will be acquitted."

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On January 13, 1962, GUS HALL, while referring to the membership figures of the Communist Party, USA (CP, USA), which he had discussed previously on January 10, 1962, and which had been based on the average monthly paid up dues, stated as follows:

While the average paid up monthly membership figures which he had previously provided were current and accurate based on the final 1961 figures available at the time of his departure from New York City on January 8, 1962, it was anticipated there would be some upward revision on this final total. This revision would result from the possible receipt of additional late 1961 dues payments from the districts which had not been received by the time he left New York City. At the most, such additional late dues payments would not raise the final total of average monthly paid up members of 2,354.25 by more than 10% to 15%.

Among those districts where there might be such an upward revision, HALL mentioned the Eastern Pennsylvania District and stated that in fact PHIL BART was making a trip to that area on January 13-14, 1962, to look into the matter of membership and other Party business.

CPEPD and on four Communist front groups. He is the only informant coverage in the new Carpenters' Club in the CPEPD. The informant coverage would be impaired in that coverage of this Carpenters' Club would not be available if his identity were disclosed.

PH T-9

PH T-9 is [redacted] He is [redacted] the Unity Club, CPEPD, and formerly [redacted] defunct City Committee, CPEPD. He is the husband of [redacted] continues to furnish valuable information. To disclose his identity would also mean the loss of [redacted] b7D

PH T-9 has expressed a [redacted]

PH T-10

PH T-10 is [redacted] who is [redacted] He furnishes information of continuing value concerning the CPEPD. He expressed [redacted] closed hearings; however, the usage of this informant as a witness would not seriously damage the security coverage of the Philadelphia Office.

PH T-12

PH T-12 is [redacted] He is [redacted] Finance Club, CPEPD, which functions as a district financial group in the CPEPD. He continues to furnish information of continuing value and it is recommended that he not be used as a witness unless his testimony is absolutely necessary. This informant has not been questioned relative to his willingness to testify.

PH T-13

PH T-13 is [redacted] who is [redacted] furnishing valuable information relative to the CPEPD. [redacted] CPEPD, which functions as a district finance committee. He is also a

member of the District Committee, CPEPD. The loss of this informant, who [redacted], would seriously affect the security coverage of the Philadelphia Office. b7D

PH T-14

PH T-14 is [redacted] This informant is of [redacted] District Committee, CPEPD, [redacted] referred to by certain leaders of the CPEPD as [redacted] CPEPD leaders to [redacted] This informant is

PH T-15

PH T-15 is [redacted] He is [redacted] is [redacted] As was pointed out above, he is former TT-1 informant of the Bureau and has [redacted] This informant continues to furnish information of value concerning the CPEPD.

PH T-16

PH T-16 is [redacted], a [redacted] of [redacted] This informant does furnish information concerning the CPEPD and, because of the activity of [redacted] contact with CPEPD leaders. To disclose this informant would mean the loss of [redacted] This source has stated that [redacted]

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PH T-1 is [redacted] PH T-1 is a [redacted] He is [redacted] PH T-1 has been a member of the CPEPD since [redacted] record.

PH T-1 has stated recently that he does [redacted]

PH T-2

PH T-2 is [redacted] PH T-2 is employed as [redacted] been a member of the CPEPD since [redacted]

PH T-2 was arrested on [redacted] by the Camden, New Jersey Police Department and charged with disorderly conduct. He was released on [redacted] bail and no further action has been taken concerning this arrest by the Camden, New Jersey authorities.

PH T-2 stated that he does [redacted]

PH T-3

PH T-3 is a [redacted] of age. [redacted] PH T-3 is of [redacted] is employed in [redacted] and has been active

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in union affairs. PH T-3 [redacted] has [redacted] in the past.

PH T-3 was arrested by the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Police Department on [redacted] as a result of [redacted] sponsored by the CP in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at which [redacted] was sold. She was charged with disorderly conduct and fined [redacted]

PH T-3 was interviewed in February and March 1954 by Special Assistants to the Attorney General, U. S. Department of Justice, concerning her availability to testify in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Smith Act trial. [redacted]

PH T-4

PH T-4 is [redacted] of age. [redacted] education. PH T-4 has been a member of the CPEPD since [redacted] She does not have an arrest record. On [redacted] PH T-4 alleged that another CPEPD member [redacted] No criminal charges were filed. This information, however, was generally known throughout the CP in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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PH T-4 has stated in the past that [redacted]

PH T-5

PH T-5 is [redacted] did not [redacted] school. PH T-5 has been [redacted] relationship. She has been active in the CP since [redacted] She is employed in a [redacted].

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PH T-5 was arrested by the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Police Department in the spring of [redacted] at a private residence where the CPEPD was holding a party where [redacted] was charged with disorderly conduct and fined [redacted] b7D

PH T-5 was interviewed by Special Assistants to the Attorney General, U. S. Department of Justice, on January 20, 1954, at which time it was decided that due to [redacted] and due to [redacted] with a Philadelphia Smith Act defendant, [redacted] in the Philadelphia Smith Act trial.

PH T-8

PH T-8 is [redacted] of age. He has [redacted] is employed in a [redacted] member. PH T-8 has been a member of the CPEPD since [redacted] Subsequent to that date, [redacted] was reactivated in the CPEPD. In [redacted] PH T-8 was arrested by the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Police Department and charged with [redacted] He was discharged at a magistrate's hearing.

PH T-9

PH T-9 is [redacted] of age. [redacted] PH T-9 is [redacted] however, several of these children [redacted]

PH T-9 was arrested in [redacted] for violation of auto laws (impersonation). He received a [redacted] sentence in the Philadelphia County Prison, Philadelphia,

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Pennsylvania. He has expressed a [redacted] b7D

PH T-10

PH T-10 is [redacted] of age. [redacted] and the [redacted] PH T-10 is [redacted] first joined the CPEPD in [redacted] and was active from that year until [redacted] subsequently rejoined the CPEPD. He does not have an arrest record; however, he is involved in the [redacted] Court, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. [redacted]

PH T-10 in the past has [redacted]

PH T-12

PH T-12 is a [redacted] exact birthdate unknown. He has [redacted] He lives in a [redacted] and does not [redacted] joined the CP in either December [redacted] He attended the Lenin School, Moscow, Russia, in [redacted] and fought in the [redacted].

PH T-12 on [redacted] was arrested by the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Police Department on a charge of [redacted] This charge was dismissed at a magistrate's hearing. On [redacted] that PH T-12 [redacted] the CPEPD [redacted] No criminal charges were filed against PH T-12. PH T-12 denied this allegation.

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PH T-13

PH T-13 is [redacted] who is [redacted]. He attended [redacted]. He has been a member of the CP since [redacted] and is presently employed [redacted].

PH T-13 was arrested on [redacted] in Wilmington, North Carolina, and charged with [redacted] He was remanded to the [redacted] During his [redacted] service, which commenced in [redacted] he was convicted by a [redacted] He was sentenced on November 26, [redacted] pay.

PH T-13 has previously indicated [redacted] by Special Assistants to the Attorney General, U. S. Department of Justice.

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PH T-14

PH T-14 is [redacted] of age. He is [redacted]. He is a [redacted] He is of [redacted] He first joined the CP in [redacted] He was inactive during World War II and was not reactivated in the CPEPD until [redacted] PH T-14 is employed in a [redacted] capacity in [redacted] He has served as [redacted] of his company [redacted] and is still active in company [redacted] affairs. He was [redacted] for his company [redacted] He does not have an arrest record.

PH T-14 has [redacted]

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PH T-15

PH T-15 is [redacted] of age. [redacted] One [redacted] resulted from a [redacted] which ended in [redacted] He is of [redacted] His schooling consists of [redacted] He was arrested [redacted] by the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Police Department and was charged with receiving stolen goods. This case was discharged on [redacted] PH T-15 admits two arrests 20 years ago (believed to be in the early [redacted] when night clubs he patronized were raided. These cases were disposed of by PH T-15 paying small fines. He has revealed that he was involved in an automobile accident and arrested in [redacted] in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. This case, however, was dismissed. b7D

PH T-15 was interviewed by Special Assistants to the Attorney General, U. S. Department of Justice, in early 1954 in connection with the Philadelphia Smith Act trial. [redacted]

PH T-16

PH T-16 is [redacted] of age. [redacted] and the [redacted] is employed in [redacted] became a member of the CPEPD in January [redacted]

PH T-16 does not have an arrest record. [redacted]

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[redacted] Pennsylvania [redacted] NBC Affiliate, [redacted] Pennsylvania, who is approximately [redacted] of age, has stated [redacted]

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New York, New York
January 4, 1962

Re: Communist Party,
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On January 2, 1962, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, made the following observations at Communist Party, United States of America (CP,USA) headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, New York City:

On the third floor at 23 West 26th Street, Ben Davis, Phil Bart, Arnold Johnson and Marvin Markman were seen.

Davis was heard to state that there is a committee of young people at Farleigh-Dickinson University in New Jersey who are trying to arrange for Davis to speak on the campus. To date, they have been stopped by the university authorities. This committee, however, is continuing to press for this speaking engagement and, if refused, will consider arranging a speaking date at a place off-campus.

Bart was heard to speak at length about his recent operation and state he did much work by telephone at home and only came to CP,USA headquarters a few hours a day.

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Bart stated that the CP,USA leadership feels the need for some kind of national gathering to assess the present setup of the CP,USA and to give the CP a "shot in the arm." "They," he said, have an idea of calling an "org conference" that would have the character of a National Committee type of gathering--a substantial body of CP leaders--sometime about mid-February.

Bart also revealed that the CP is planning an eastern meeting and a mid-western meeting under the guise of a gathering on behalf of "The Worker" to formulate a fund drive and a press campaign. This will probably take place about the same time as the "org conference."

Bart stated further that in preparation for the "org conference" and the east-midwest conferences, the CP leadership is advising all CP districts to organize (here he wrote "state conferences"), to be "carefully and prudently" organized and to consist of top district leadership. The purpose of the state conferences, according to Bart, will be:

1. To make a political assessment of the national and international situation as it affects the CP.

2. Establish a workshop to deal with that group of questions that have suffered in the past due to the emphasis on the defense of the CP in the McCarran Act case. These would be:

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a. Organizational stability
b. Effectiveness
c. Initiative
d. An energizing of the Party clubs toward their normal activities, functions and meetings.
e. Undertake selective recruiting.
f. Bring into being an organizational view of Party people in mass organizations--provide them with a direction as to how they should function in these mass organizations.

Bart revealed that during the last six months there has been a weakening of the CP(due to the lack of a precise CP organization), which is being menaced by a drifting away from the CP by members in mass organizations. The CP does not want these isolated members off by themselves with no CP guidance or machinery. He said this organizational erosion is running away and Party clubs are disappearing.

He said that despite the trials and prosecutions the CP leadership is aiming to strengthen this area of work and counteract this drifting away.

Bart then spoke of a plan to increase the circulation of the "Mid Week Worker" by having the New Jersey district, for example, take five hundred copies a week at four cents a copy.

Bart stated that Mike Crenovich, Milt Rosen and Mort Scheer, and others, had been expelled from the CP.

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He said they have organized a new publication called, "Progressive Labor." Bart described it as a "slick, expensive job" and added, "The Albanians are paying for it." He said these expelees have been making contacts throughout the country as their material has turned up in all CP districts.

He advised that in Buffalo, there were three hundred fifty subscribers to "The Worker." This number is now thirty-five, due to the activities of Mort Scheer. Scheer, he said, has a tie with the Workers World Party. The week after he was expelled from the CP, each CP member in the Buffalo area received a copy of the Workers World newspaper by mail. These names and addresses would be known by Scheer.

As to the McCarran Act, Bart said, "not much is happening, we are rolling with the punches." There are, he said, no particular meetings of the Party leadership taking place. Any Party "line" is indicated in the editorials, appearing in "The Worker," which are read thoroughly by district leaders.

Bart revealed that Martin Young and Joe Brandt organized a very successful New Year's party to raise money for CP youth. As a result of this party, they gave Danny Rubin $200.00 to use for youth activities.

On the second floor of CP,USA headquarters, William L. Patterson, New York State CP Chairman, was heard to make remarks similar to Bart's with regard to the expulsion of Milt Rosen, Mort Scheer, Mike Crenovich, and others. He said that a short time ago, a CP meeting was

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held in Harlem, at which the question of the expulsions from the Party came up. He said it was a "very nasty and violent meeting." "One of our leading comrades" took a hostile position toward the expulsions, and voted against this action, along with several others. Patterson pointed out that the expulsions were what he called "ex post facto," in that the persons expelled had engaged in actions which brought the expulsion upon themselves. Patterson expressed some concern that this leading comrade and others are remaining in the CP but are in allegiance with the expelled groups.

Patterson then spoke of the Harriet Tubman Club and one Larry Coggins (the Harriet Tubman Club and Larry Coggins, one of its leaders, were expelled from the New Jersey State CP for revisionist tactics). He said that the Tubman Club has established a little beachhead among the Party members in Harlem. He said that the CP leaders know who these contacts are and it is quite probable that questions involving them will be the next thing settled by the Party.

Patterson then spoke of [redacted] from New Jersey [redacted] Patterson stated that this was the most distasteful thing that he had encountered in a number of years. He said it was very embarrassing for him and the CP, and he cannot understand the weakness of the liaison on this question.

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(By way of explanation, [redacted] although not a member of the CP, was selected by someone in the [redacted]

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purposes. Much to the consternation of the CP,USA, this selection of [redacted] was made without previous consultation with the CP,USA. It appears now that [redacted] is a totally unsatisfactory student, and efforts are being made to keep her from returning to the Soviet Union to continue her education. Present evidence is that [redacted] appointment to go to the Soviet Union was sought and obtained by Larry Coggins of the expelled Tubman group. Her appointment and the failure to consult with the CP,USA has been called an error, and has been attributed by the Soviets to an error on the part of some subsecretary in the Soviet Embassy.)

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Patterson revealed that a reception was held in Washington, D.C. at the Soviet Embassy, at which Premier Khrushchev attended. Larry Coggins was present at that time, as was Patterson. Patterson revealed that he saw Coggins and Khrushchev talking, but had not heard until later of the appointment of [redacted] Patterson continued, as follows: "I do not deal with (then he wrote SU, meaning Soviet Union people). My contact all along has been (and he wrote Czech)." He said, "I feel I can contact (then he wrote "Mike",meaning Ambassador Menshikov). He continued, "I saw this comrade (Czech), who was to take it up with (Mike)." Later, he was told by (Czech) that it had been properly taken up and not to worry about it. Patterson said the next thing the Party knew about it was that the [redacted] situation had not been taken care of, and he went to see his contact (Czech). The answer he received was that the [redacted] situation had been raised but the action taken was not known. When the story finally broke, he said, it increased the prestige of Coggins and embarrassed the CP,USA.

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He said that recently, in (and here he wrote Moscow), Elizabeth Gurley Flynn was approached by Mrs. Khrushchev, who said that they (the Soviets) were in a delicate position with regard to the [redacted] that had to be resolved. Mrs. Khrushchev continued that, in school, she is far beneath the Soviet students of her age. She is about two or three years behind students of her age, academically. According to Patterson, Mrs. Khrushchev continued that the girl is far above her age level in physical maturity and sophistication. Physiologically, she is irrepressible and created a problem when she insisted on consorting with students much older than she. She insisted on dates and parties, which were not the custom of the Soviet Union. Mrs. Khrushchev complained that she smokes cigarettes in class, and cuts classes constantly. When she arrived in the Soviet Union, she declined to learn to speak Russian. Later, she consented to do so.

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According to Patterson, Elizabeth Gurley Flynn answered Mrs. Khrushchev by stating that it was the Soviets' fault that she was in the Soviet Union, because they had not consulted with the CP, USA.

As a solution to this case, the Soviets agreed to let the [redacted] girl return to the United States for a Christmas vacation. They decided that they would make no effort to arrange for her return to the Soviet Union, with the hope that she would stay in the United States.

Patterson stated that he does not know whether or not someone will bring up the story of her not returning

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in such a way that it will be detrimental to both the Soviet Union and the CP,USA. He feels, however, her not returning would be a lesser problem.

James Jackson and Erik Bert were observed in "The Worker" office on the second floor of CP,USA headquarters.

Jesus Colon was observed in "The Worker" office on the first floor of CP,USA headquarters.

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Enclosed herewith are five copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination, containing information furnished by [redacted] to SA JOHN A. HAAG of the NYO and SA RUSSELL H. HORNER of the Newark Office, on [redacted] This information was obtained by [redacted] while he was at CPUSA Headquarters, NYC, on [redacted] b7D

This memorandum is being classified "Confidential" because it contains information which may reflect the identity of the source, which, in turn, could have a detrimental effect on the defense interests of the United States Government.

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On 1/2/62 CG 5824-S* made available to SA RICHARD W. HANSEN a handwritten letter prepared by ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN received through the mail on 12/30/61. This letter was photostated by the Chicago Office and the original returned to the source on 1/3/62. One photostat has been retained by the Chicago Office and is being maintained as an exhibit in CGfile 100-33741-1B3(252).

Set forth below are the verbatim contents of this letter except for certain portions which have been deleted because they have no pertinency or they might identify this source. The information appearing in parentheses was supplied by the source on 1/2/62 for purposes of clarity or identification of individuals involved herein:

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"Room 937 - Madison Square Hotel
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"Just a few lines to let you know how we are. It is very comfortable here - and I do believe K. (Kathy Flynn) is beginning to improve a little. Her morale is better. I have one more trip to make to 12 St. to get the last few things out of there and to get my Moscow /Militiamen's/ coat shortened at the tailors. Last year's coat.

"Yesterday I walked over to the office - about two blocks and Jim (Tormey ?) walked me back, saving $2.50 in taxi fare already. I sure need it. As yet I'm spending my savings - no help from anywhere. But we'll see. I called Joe Field (New Century Publishers) - he said they take inventory after Jan. 1st and maybe I have some royalties. He isn't sure about Germany either. I'll write to my translator there. They got out a 3rd edition (Flynn's autobiography) after my visit there last year. It's a pleasure to go out in this neighborhood - good stores - not far away, all willing to deliver groceries, drugs even liquors.

"We had a report on N.Y. again. Four are up for expulsion - Milt (Rosen) - Paul of RR, Mike (Crenovich) and Arnie. They started an opposition paper, called Labor something - Challenge I believe - I'll let you know - and are sending it all over the country. Milt & Mort are the signed editors. It is very deceptive - many people will believe it is ours. They knew of plans in that direction. Last night they were to be up for action before N.Y. Board - also the Schulmans (Ruth and Jack) will probably be suspended, pending further investigation. A national meeting was held, Louis (Weinstock) reported. Abe (Unger) was there and spoke, castigating leadership as 'revisionist.' This certainly violates the conditions of his suspension. Albanian material is passed around at their meetings. Others are to be called in by Com. of State & Natl. for further inquiry - Evy (Wiener)

Abe - Esther (Unger) etc., also some in Harlem set-up. Mike (Crenovich) said the leaders are 90% wrong - They refuse to identify associates or source of funds. G. (Gus Hall) was not at meeting but had agreed in advance to foregoing actions. Ben (Davis) was on committee. Thought you ought to know all this, as it may involve your set-up later. Lena (Scherer) is coming to see me tomorrow. Marcel is in Calif.

"The weather is grand - clear, sunny, cold, but very cheerful. Hope it holds for the week-end. I feel quite rested, at last, this place is unbelievably quiet, especially at night. A deserted business neighborhood. The park is lovely too. We are very pleased to be here.

"Mike [redacted] returned - passed thru here en route home. I talked to Edna (Winston) on plane. Told her I had advised W. (Henry Winston) to stay there. She agreed - heartily. Had a nice letter from the Pittmans (John [redacted] with regards to all from all there. Also a card with Father Frost (Nikolai Vladimirovich Mostovets, head of the North and South American Section, International Department, Central Committee, CPSU) /who looks like a twin of our Santa/ on a troika. It made me lonesome.

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Did you see (Janos) Kadar's (First Secretary, Hungarian Socialist Workers Party) picture in The Times with excerpts from article? .....It should be reprinted here. Albania is a new theme for all the disrupters and other well-meaning people are drawn in to the discussion.

"The peace lobby of women for Jan 15 and of youth for Feb. 16 - are very encouraging.

"All is quiet here - quite a few people away for the holidays - Jim A. (Allen), Will W. (Weinstone) - Phil B. (Bart) and G. I'm going to work now on a pamphlet on the (22nd) Congress. It's wonderful to have no house work to do - just breakfast in the a.m. As she gets stronger I'll take her out. The Prince George /or is it St.?/ is a block from here, up Madison Ave. and there is a lunchroom and a restaurant here in the hotel /very odd bar and restaurant like the Go's/ It_ quite interesting.

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"Well I'll close. There's a party at the office at 1 p.m.....

".....Do write /address K. as usual/

".....

/s/ "Elizabeth

"P.S. Arnold (Johnson) just came in to see Kathie. I'll walk back with him. She likes to see men and perks up a lot when one comes in. I confess to a similar weakness! She's now telling Arnold about Bill F. (Foster) coming to see us when we were children. Esther (Foster) has gone back with Sylvia (& Emanuel) & Kolko - in the small apartment, Arnold tells me.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284) 1/9/62

SAC, NY (100-56579)

PHILIP BART
IS-C; ISA-50; SA-40
(Weekly Summary 1/1-7/62)
CINAL
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The subject was observed at CP National Headquarters on 1/2 and 5/62.

[redacted] has recently advised that the subject had told him that since his operation he was only working in the National Office part time. He stated that he was handling a lot of his work by phone from his home and it would take some time before he would be operating at full capacity.

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UNITED STATES v. COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
(PROPOSED INVESTIGATIONS UNDER SECTION 2
AND SECTION 371, TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE)

I. On June 18, 1961, Phil Bart addressed a meeting of the New England District CP Committee at Chelsea, Massachusetts, and said with reference to the decision of the Supreme Court that the Party has no membership list and even if it did, would not file it. He also said that the Party certainly was not going to hide and has no intention of going underground. On the contrary, it is to fight for its legality. He declared it imperative that there be unity and that the Party mobilize its forces to fight back. He pointed out that a review of the decision had been requested and there was great need to work on the issues involved, particularly by non-Party people, observing that if the Party fought alone it would be a lost cause.

II. DE T-1 advised on June 9, 1961, that on June 6, 1961, (William) Billy Allan, a member of the Michigan District, CP, State Committee, gave a full report on the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court upholding the legality of the Walter-McCarran Law. He stated that the Government expects the Party to go underground, but the Party will not do this, as it is not necessary. Allan advised that the Party has not maintained any membership records, so no one needs to worry, as no one needs to register.

A Michigan District, CP member asked Allan what the Party's position would be if an individual wanted to register. Allan replied that no one needs to register, and no one will register. Also, Party members cannot prove that they are members, because of the fact that no records are kept, so how can the Government prove it?

III. With respect to the recent decision of the United States Supreme Court requiring the Party to register, Hall said the main line of the Party to fight back and not to register was adopted unanimously by the NEC. He stated that developments around this decision brought into the open the existence of a small but very damaging anti-Party group, in the New York District, which he felt must be liquidated.

IV. Information has been received from a source which has furnished reliable information in the past, that Gus Hall, General Secretary of the Communist Party, USA (CP), spoke at a closed meeting of CP leaders in San Francisco on July 25, 1961. Hall declared that it had been decided that the CP will not register or declare itself an agent of Russia or any

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other foreign power. Hall alleged that the Supreme Court decision requiring registration by the CP is an invitation to the CP of the United States to commit suicide and the CP will not accept this invitation.

Hall declared that registration would constitute an admission of guilt just as a refusal to register is an admission of guilt. Hall stated that the idea of turning over names of prominent people in our society who may or may not be connected with the CP is not possible because this information is not available to any high ranking CP member. He stated that if such a list of names were to be compiled, the people of the United States might very well be shocked to find out who some of these people actually are. So, therefore, the CP must stand together to fight this attempt to destroy "peace loving party members."

V. Davis gave an analysis of the McCarran Act interspersed with personal anecdotes about his personal experiences in prison, getting a drivers license after his release and in speaking at several colleges.

He said that under the McCarran Act all known Communists were to register as such and that all mail would have to be identified and that this would be required before the end of this month - November, 1961.

However, he said the national officers of the CP would not register. These he identified as Gurley Flynn, National Chairman; Claude Lightfoot and Henry Winston, Vice Chairmen; Gus Hall, General Secretary; Ben Davis, National Secretary and Phil Bart, National Organizer. He said all state and local officials of the CP would be instructed not to register, and they in turn will naturally advise no member to register. He said no mail from Communist headquarters would carry identifying marks of any kind nor would The Worker carry any identification as Communist literature on wrapper. He said all these measures were being taken on the premise that the McCarran Act is unconstitutional. He said the McCarran and Smith Acts placed all Communists in double jeopardy and also forced a person to testify against himself.

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: November 30, 1961

FROM : J. Walter Yeagley, Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division

SUBJECT: United States v. Communist Party, USA, et al. Proposed investigations under Section 2 and Section 371 of Title 18 U.S.C.

In view of the information which we have received relating to action taken by the Communist Party leadership in carrying out their declared purpose not to have the Party or any of its members register under the Internal Security Act of 1950, this Division has under consideration the matter of prosecution of certain members of the Communist Party for possible violation of Title 18 U.S.C. 371, the general conspiracy statute, and Section 2 Title 18 U.S.C.

To aid us in our study of the possible utilization of these sections, it is requested that we be furnished with information directed toward the existence of a conspiracy violation to cause the Party, the officers and the membership not to register or file a registration statement. In this connection, it would be helpful to secure available evidence to prove that meetings were held by Party officials wherein they discussed and decided upon a plan of action to evade the Act. In addition, we would appreciate receiving information disclosing that, as a result of such decision, specific overt acts were performed in the furtherance thereof. Such acts might include intentionally advising, encouraging, or assisting other conspirators not to comply with the law.

In connection with the proof of overt acts, consideration should be given to activities

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such as the issuance of Party instructions and directives to accomplish the conspiracy; the preparation and distribution of written material and other documents in furtherance of the agreement; and other evidence, either circumstantial or direct, which tends to show that the leaders of the Party had knowledge of the conspiracy and with that knowledge intentionally did some act to further and carry on the conspiracy to evade the requirements of the Act.

In order to sustain the burden of proving any violations of Section 2 of Title 18 U.S.C. in light of the present situation, sufficient evidence must be available to prove that the subjects prosecuted have aided, abetted, counseled, commanded, induced or procured the commission of a violation of Section 7(a) of the Subversive Activities Control Act by the Communist Party.

Since the evidentiary requirements under Section 2 are similar in most respects with those necessary for conviction under Section 371 of Title 18 U.S.C., only one report containing the desired information need be prepared and furnished this Division. The investigative period to be covered by this report may be limited to the period from June, 1961 to the present and confined to those individuals who have performed during the suggested period or are now performing leadership functions in the Communist Party.

In order to provide some guidance in your attempts to develop admissible evidence in these two areas, the following examples of information previously supplied by your Bureau are indicative of the general character of evidence desired.

(1) Report of Special Agent Joseph V. Waters dated July 21, 1961, your file No. 100-3

Statements of Phil Bart concerning Communist Party's attitude regarding filing membership list.

(2) Report of John R. Clarke, Jr., dated August 14, 1961, your file No. 100-3-74

Statement by (William) Billy Allan that no one need to register.

(3) Bureau Memorandum dated August 14, 1961, your file No. 100-3-69

Gus Hall's statement that main line of Communist Party not to register was adopted unanimously by the National Executive Committee.

In this instance, evidence should be developed, if possible, concerning events of the meeting referred to by Hall.

(4) Bureau Memorandum dated August 2, 1961, San Francisco, California, concerning Hall's statement re Communist Party plans not to register.

(5) Bureau Memorandum dated July 26, 1961, your file No. 100-3-86, Bulletin entitled "Information

Bulletin, The Internal Security Act of 1950 (McCarran Act) and the Membership Clause of the Smith Act of 1940."

(6) Bureau Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated November 8, 1961, New York, your file No. 100-23825.

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Statements made by Ben Davis concerning non-registration by Communist Party National Officers.

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From: Director, FBI (100-372598)

UNITED STATES v.
COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
(PROPOSED INVESTIGATIONS UNDER
SECTION 2 AND SECTION 371,
TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE)

There is attached a Photostat of a letter from the Internal Security Division of the Department dated November 30, 1961, indicating that the Department has under consideration the prosecution of certain officials of the Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), for possible violation of either Section 371, Title 18, U. S. Code, for conspiracy to violate the registration provision of the Internal Security Act of 1950, and for possible violation of Section 2, Title 18, U. S. Code, for aiding, abetting, counseling, commanding, inducing or procuring a violation of the registration provision of the Internal Security Act of 1950.

Specific attention is directed to the statement in paragraph three, page two, that the investigative period may be limited to the period from June, 1961, to present and should be confined "to those individuals who have performed during the suggested period or are now performing leadership functions in the Communist Party." The Department has advised that in addition to the 14 active members of the National Executive Committee, CPUSA (which excludes Henry Winston, Hyman Lumer, James West and Clarence Hathaway), those members of the National Committee who have been

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recently active in Party affairs should also be included in this investigation. National Committee members suggested were Arnold Johnson, Herbert Aptheker, William Albertson, Fred Bassett Blair, Samuel K. Davis, Benjamin Dobbs, Betty Gannett, Samuel Kushner, Thomas Nabried, William Patterson, Al Richmond, Mortimer Daniel Rubin, James Tormey, Louis Weinstock and William Weinstone.

It is noted that the Department has listed specific items representing the type of evidence desired in connection with prosecutive action under either Section 2 or Section 371, Title 18. For information all offices, pertinent excerpts quoted from five of these items are attached. From the attached examples, it is apparent that the evidence the Department desires includes all comments by Party leaders, either oral or written, that the Party would not register as an organization and that they, as officers, would not register for the Party. Also included will be instructions from Party leaders to Party members that they should not register.

In accordance with the Department's request, the office covering each of the above-listed functionaries is to submit a prosecutive summary report on each separate functionary, setting out all legally admissible evidence developed during the period from June 1, 1961, to the present time, which tends to establish violations of Section 2 and/or Section 371, Title 18, U. S. Code. All pertinent files should be reviewed for such evidence, and statements made by a functionary outside the field office territory should be expeditiously handled with the office in whose territory the statement was made.

Information from Confidential Informants CG 5824-S, NY 694-S, [redacted] and [redacted] need not be included since these informants will definitely not be made available for testimony. Any current informants involved should be identified in the cover letter and recommendations set out regarding the availability of each to testify. Individual forms FD-302 should be prepared wherever appropriate and b7D

and these may be summarized in the reports. It is realized that some of the evidence which might constitute a violation of either Sections 2 or 371 has already been submitted to the Bureau. All such evidence already furnished the Bureau by form FD-302 or any other communication should be repeated in the summary report.

With regard to those members of the National Executive Committee in whom the Department has previously expressed a prosecutive interest, it may be that the offices covering these individuals have already prepared or are currently preparing prosecutive summary reports with a view toward prosecution under Section 7(h) of the Internal Security Act of 1950. All evidence of the type suggested in the attached letter from the Department should be included in the prosecutive summary reports presently being prepared. If a report has already been prepared and submitted and additional evidence of this type is available, it will be necessary to submit a supplemental prosecutive summary report.

The requested reports must reach the Bureau by December 18, 1961. In the event no pertinent legally admissible evidence has been developed regarding an individual functionary tending to establish a violation of Section 2 or Section 371, Title 18, a letter should be submitted to the Bureau so advising.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-[illegible]) 1/5/62

SAC, NEW YORK (100-[illegible]02)

CPUSA
COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM
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ReBulet, 11/[illegible]/61, instructing the NYO to furnish in 60 days the NYO's views concerning counterintelligence action against CONNIE BART at her employment at the Institute for the Crippled and Disabled, [illegible] Ave., NY, [illegible].

NYlet to the Bureau, [illegible]/19/61, enclosed a clipping from the 6/[illegible]/61 issue of "The NY Mirror" entitled "List Top Communists Living Here" by [illegible] SINGER, which gave the names and addresses of some of the CPUSA leadership. PHIL BART's name and address was listed in this article.

Authorization is requested to purchase a back copy of the 6/19/61 issue of "The NY Mirror" and if approved, the NYO will discreetly determine the identity of some leading official of the Institute for the Crippled and Disabled and anonymously mail to him this clipping with an appropriate note pointing out that CONSTANCE STRAUSS BART of 241[illegible] Newkirk Ave., Brooklyn, NY, one of his employees, is the wife of PHIL BART, a leader of the CPUSA.

It is pointed out that by using this counterintelligence method while NY 1637-[illegible] and NY 1750-[illegible] are not providing information, the full effect will not be known.

It is believed such counterintelligence will cause an economic pressure on PHIL BART.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEWARK DATE: 1/10/62

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)(415)

SUBJECT: CPUSA, ORGANIZATION
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Identity of source [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal) b6 b7C b7D

Description of info [redacted]
Date received
Received by SA JOHN A. HAAG (oral)
Original location [redacted]

Information received from informant, as set forth above, was dictated by SA HAAG to [redacted] on [redacted] transcribed on 12/19/61, and authenticated by informant [redacted]

A copy of informant's oral report follows:

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The following activities were observed at Communist Party, USA, headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, NYC, on 12/8/61:

At approximately 1:00 p.m., 12/8/61, WILLIAM PATTERSON, JACK STACHEL, WILLIAM WEINSTONE, BEN DAVIS, TED BASSETT, JAMES JACKSON and IRVING POTASH were observed in the CPUSA Board Room on the third floor of CPUSA headquarters. They were overheard discussing the "Worker" and the midweek "Worker," its circulation, and other aspects of publication. The substantive content of the discussion was not learned.

JEAN SMITH, CPUSA stenographer, was present on the third floor and was heard to state that GUS HALL was in Washington, D.C., at a hearing in response to a summons issued by United States Government dealing with the McCarran Act. She said that on 12/7/61, HALL had been fined in City Court, Yonkers, NY, for a traffic violation.

SMITH was observed referring to a plain envelope which contained a two-page mimeographed statement by GUS HALL concerning the indictment of the Communist Party under the McCarran Act. She indicated that it was not accidental that the statement did not reveal the sponsor or publisher of the statement and that the envelope in which the statement was mailed did not contain a return address. (The inference here is that the use of a plain envelope and the failure to list the sponsor of the statement was done by design to circumvent the labeling requirements of the McCarran Act.)

SMITH was heard to state that PHIL BART had been released from the hospital that day (12/8/61) where he had undergone an operation for a urinary disorder.

At about this time (2:00 p.m.) the above-mentioned meeting adjourned.

JACK STACHEL was then heard to state that the CPUSA leadership was not fully aware of what was happening in its

case with the United States Government over the McCarran Act. He said, "We're here every day. We are continuing to function and work."

IRVING POTASH was heard to ask if FRANK WITKUS, a New Jersey CP member, had been instructed to send a delegate from New Jersey to the CPUSA Trade Union Commission meeting on Auto, to be held in Detroit, Michigan, on 12/9/61. He stated he had received inquiries as to whether or not the New Jersey CP was sending a representative. He added that the Trade Union meeting would take place in Detroit, 12/9/61, as scheduled.

A short time later, JAMES JACKSON and [redacted] b6 b7C a "Worker" employee, were observed in the Board Room on the second floor. This space is used by the "Worker". [redacted] was seen using the desk of ERIK BERT and was heard to state he would only be using it for a few days.

JAMES JACKSON indicated that he would speak at a meeting of New Jersey CP members on 12/13/61, in Newark, New Jersey. He stated he would meet PAT TOOHEY, New Jersey State CP Chairman, at some time between 7:30 and 7:45 p.m., on 12/13/61, in front of or in the lobby of the Essex House Hotel in Newark, New Jersey.

On the first floor in the space occupied by the personnel of the "Worker," JAMES LUSTIG, Manager of the "Worker", was heard to state that the circulation of the midweek "Worker" was very unsatisfactory and that CPUSA leaders have had very serious talks concerning this problem. He wrote down the figure "5,000" on a piece of paper and said that it represented the number of copies - here he gestured with his hands as if indicating a far off object. (From this it was inferred that 5,000 copies of the midweek "Worker" were sent to the Soviet Union and other foreign countries.) LUSTIG then wrote the figure "2,500" and indicated that this was the number of copies of midweek "Workers" sold in the United States. He said that having a larger foreign circulation than a domestic one could prove embarrassing to the party and the paper. As a result of discussions on this

problem, the following plan was worked out. LUSTIG said that the NY State CP will take 3,000 of the midweek "Worker" per week and will pay $.04 a copy. Two cents of this money, or $60.00, will be returned to the NY State CP in the form of a rebate. The New Jersey CP, under the same plan, will take 500 copies at $.04 a copy and will receive $10.00, or one-half of its cost, as a rebate. Similar arrangements will be made in all CP districts. In this way the midweek "Worker" can show a higher domestic circulation than its foreign circulation. (How the money will be rebated or where it will come from was not revealed. However, it is believed to be merely a bookkeeping arrangement to show inflated circulation figures and will be a losing proposition since the cost of publishing the midweek "Worker" is at least $.04 a copy.)

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641) DATE: 1/8/62

FROM: SA JOHN A. HAAG

SUBJECT" CPUSA - ORGANIZATION
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Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal) b6 b7C b7D

Description of Info [redacted]

Date Received

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Dec. 29/61

At C.P. headquarters on Dec. 27/61 these people were seen.

JEAN SMITH	DOROTHY ROBINSON
[redacted]	ADA BRODSKY
BEN DAVIS	BERNICE LINTON
JACK STACHEL	ED ROYCE
PHIL BART	[redacted]
BILL STANLEY	JIM JACKSON
TED BASSET	WM. ALBERTSON
WM. PATTERSON	JIM LUSTIG
CHARLIE DURBER	BERNICE LINTON
Man - seen before but not lately.	DANNY RUBINS

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The man was about 60- Height 5-1-3. Weight 140-50. He was wearing a gray coat. Black rubbers. Gray Hat. No glasses seen. He spoke to [redacted] and later was seen talking to ADA BRODSKY in the Worker office. He carried a brown paper folio. One of his front teeth was partly broken.

JEAN SMITH- [redacted] and CHARLIE DUBER were seen on the 3rd floor. Later CHARLEI was seen talking to [redacted] on the second floor. BEN DAVIS was seen on the 3rd floor. He went to a back room and was not seen again- WM. ALBERTSON- DANNY RUBIN and WM. PATTERSON came up the steps from the 2nd floor and all sent into the back rooms where PHIL BART and BEN DAVIS were.

TED BASSET was seen coming in from the street. He went to the back room of the Worker. ED ROYCE- JIM LUSTIG and BERNICE were seen in the Worker office as were DOROTHY ROBINSON and ADA BRODSKY.

JIM JACKSON was at his desk in the Worker office on the 2nd floor. ERIC BERT was not around. JIM JACKSON was alone.

CHARLIE DURBER was heard talking to [redacted] about $100.00 that had been unaccounted for and she said he would have to see BETTY GANNETT about it as she did not know about it. CHARLIE said that the Comrades would have to be instructed. It is not known what he meant as he did not talk loud enough for all he said to be heard.

Cover Sheet for Informant Report or Material
FD-306 (3-21-58)

TO : SAC, BOSTON (100-7908)
FROM : SA DARREL B. CURRIE
SUBJECT: CPUSA, NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT
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1/16/62

Date received	Received from (name or symbol number)	Received by
[redacted]		SA DARREL B. CURRIE

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Authenticated by Informant _____

Date of Report

January 9, 1962

Date(s) of activity

[redacted]

Brief description of activity or material

[redacted]

File where original is located if not attached

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Remarks:

In view of the sensitivity of this informant, the utmost care should be utilized to carefully paraphrase this information prior to dissemination in order to protect the identity of the informant who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Informants report follows:

3 - New York (100-16785 - [redacted]
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(100-56579 - PHIL BART)

15- Boston
100-7908 (CPUSA, N. E. District)
[redacted]
100-24406 [redacted]
100-20779 (CPUSA - ORGANIZATION)
100-20778 (CPUSA - MEMBERSHIP)
100-547 [redacted]
100-568
100-22939
100-16191 (CPUSA - FUNDS)
100-16341 [redacted]
100-775 [redacted]
100-20787 (CPUSA-FACTIONALISM)
100-26653 [redacted]
100-5990 (BOSTON JEWISH PEOPLE's FORUM)
100-24914 (PHIL BART)

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"Jan. 4 - 62

"The District Committee's execs. meeting was held on Jan 4 at 180 Seaver St., Dorchester.

"Attending were: Otis Hood, Lewis Johnson, [redacted] and Anne B. Timpson.

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"Agenda: Local function and prepearation of an Agenda for the 1/14/62 District Committee Meeting.

"Under local function: Anne B. Timpson reported that she had a letter from the National Office of the Communist Party which stipulated that the fund drive for 62 was set for 1/15 - 6/30 and that the New England Quota is $3,000. which is an increase of $500 over 1961. This report shows that in 61 - $2200 of the Quota was rased. On the basis of 61's accomplishment there is a question of excepting the Quota of $3000 or of $2500. This matter would be put before all the Clubs immediately and a report from all the clubs would be made at the 1/14 District Committee.

"Anne B. Timpson also reported that Robert Pollock had been in a meeting with the National Officers in N.Y. and that that office can't understand why Homer Chase has not ben expelled from the Communist Party. The Pollock's report states that the National Office agreed that it was right to support Homer in general on his appearance before the Committee in Washington, but that Homer Chase did not follow the Party line at all during the hearing.

"Anne B. Timpson reported that there is $500 in the treasure that could be used to start the 62 fund drive and suggested that this be present to Jim Jackson on 1/14. at the District Committee meeting. This suggestion was repeated by Otis Hood [redacted] and Lewis Johnson. Otis Hood suggested that money be used to advance the distribution and sale of the Party literature since the fund drive does not begin until 1/15/62.

"The importance of having Jim Jackson at the Forum to discuss the Congress of the Soviet Union on 1/14/62 necissatated planning the District Committee Meeting to start at 2 P.M. 1/14 possibly in the vacinity of Beth Isreal Hospital in Brookline, Mass. Correct address to be given at the forum.

"Efforts will be made to increase the forum attendence.

Anne B. Timpson stated that Phil Bart was not able to attend the previous District Committee on account of a operation. She made no further explanation.

District Committee 1/14, Agenda: Fund drive - Membership of Homer Chase and general report by Jim Jackson.

"This is all the information I have at the present time."

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[redacted] advised that the District Committee meeting of 1/4/62 was held in the apartment of [redacted] at [redacted] Mass. and that although [redacted] was present somewhere in the apartment, she did not attend this meeting.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, CHICAGO DATE: 1/16/62

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)

SUBJECT: Q CPUSA - ORGANIZATION
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Dec. 31/61

At C.P. headquarters on Dec. 29/61 these people were seen.

JEAN SMITH
ELIZABETH G. LYNN
JACK STACHEL
FANNY HELTMAN
WM. PATTERSON
Woman - not known

[redacted]
✓PHIL BART
BERTHA STACHEL
TED BASSETT
SARAH JAFFE

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There had been a New Years Eve party. The place was almost deserted. Those who were there were helping with the cleaning up except for a woman who was not known who sat in a corner talking to ELIZABETH G. FLYNN. The party was held in the board room that is now used for GUS HALL and BEN DAVIS' office. It is on the 3rd floor- The National Office.

The 2nd floor was deserted. The door to the office used by ERIC BERT and JIM JACKSON was closed. [redacted] was not there, and no one there was seen except WM. PATTERSON who was going up stairs to the 3rd floor.

The Worker office was deserted except for FANNY HELTMAN who sat at a desk reading and TED BASSETT who was seen through a window. He was in a back room. He seemed to be alone altho the rest of the room could not be seen.

The woman talking to ELIZABETH G. FLYNN was about 55-60 Height 5-2-3 Weight 150-60. Her hair was evidently dyed as it was a redish color. Eyes blue. No glasses. A bit too much makeup for a woman her age. She was wearing black high heel pumps. Clear over-shoes were on the floor near the door, which evidently were hers. Small feet.

JEAN SMITH had had a little too much to drink. She wept and [redacted] also appologized for not reminding SARAH JAFFE that there was ~~to be~~ a party. JEAN said that they would need SARAH JAFFE to do some mimeograph work on Wed. Jan. 3/62 and asked her to please try to come in early as they were going to have quite a lot of work that day.

[redacted] gave SARAH JAFFE some letters to mail. Most of them were to business places and were evidently bill payments. Some were addressed to - [redacted] St.- [redacted] --Another to [redacted] Ave.- Phil. Pa. CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT 3443 West 12th St- Chicago. Ill. All return addresses on these letters were to [redacted] Ave-Brooklyn, NY.

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VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARD

MEMORANDUM RE: PHILIP BART

Office File 100-56579

The following is the most recent place of employment, employment address, and residence address of the above subject as contained on the subject's Security Index Card.

Residence: Apt 4G, 2415 Newkirk Ave Bklyn, NY

Employment: Communist Party, USA

Address: 23 W 26 St. NY, NY

Key Facility [ ] Yes [x] No Detcom [x] Yes [ ] No

Security Flash [x] Yes [ ] No Photo [x] Yes [ ] No

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It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of a Security Flash should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record.

A physical description based on personal observation of the subject appears in serial _____.

Residence: Same

Method of Verification:

Neighborhood Source: [redacted]

Date: 1/24/62

Verified by SA: H. P. Quinn

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Employment: Same

Address:

Key Facility: [ ] Yes [ ] No Date Checked: _____ Geographical Reference Number: _____

Tab Detcom: [ ] Yes [ ] No

Method of Verification:

Employment Source: NY 694-S*

Date: 1/24/62

Verified by SA: A. Burlinson

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New York, New York
January 18, 1962

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-138169

Re: Communist Party, United States of America - Organization
Internal Security - C

On January 16, 1962, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following information obtained at Communist Party, United States of America (CP,USA) headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, New York City, on January 12, 1962:

Phil Bart, CP,USA Organizational Secretary, stated that it "is our (CP,USA leadership) opinion and feeling" that the trial of the CP,USA under the McCarran Act will not take place on its scheduled date. He said there is some evidence that the Government will not be fully prepared and will not be adverse to a continuance. Nevertheless, the CP,USA attorneys will seek a continuance on the grounds that more time is needed for the defense.

Bart revealed that a conference of national CP leaders scheduled tentatively for early February, 1962, has not been settled as yet. The date of the conference will be decided when Gus Hall returns from a trip to the midwest and west coast. On his trip, Hall will determine if his contacts with various CP leaders will be sufficient or whether a CP conference will be needed.

Bart advised that Hall is presently ill in Chicago and his trip to the west coast has been delayed. According to Bart, Hall had intended to make the trip to the west coast at a later date, but made it at this time to accept an invitation to speak at a "university" in southern California which offered to pay his fare and expenses if he would speak to an unnamed student organization. This student organization first contacted Mickey Lima, San Francisco CP leader, who suggested it invite Hall to speak.

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Re: Communist Party, United States of America-Organization Internal Security - X

Bart then spoke of Milt Rosen and a number of his followers, who had been expelled from the CP. He said the bad part of this situation is that Rosen's followers are working class people and trade unionists, which weakens the CP in these areas. He said that Rosen still has a following in the CP which has some influence among Negro members and people in the transportation industries.

According to Bart, Rosen gained a footing in the Negro American Labor Council (NALC) by taking his "connections" in the NALC (acquired while in the CP) with him when he left the CP. Bart related that Rosen sponsored a fund raising affair to send delegates to the NALC convention in Chicago. Now, the CP has found that none of the money was used for that purpose.

Bart charged Rosen with conniving with Negro CP and NALC members to attack the Transport Workers Union during the recent bus strike in New York City. He said that some fast action by the CP prevented a scandal of Negro workers being used to help the bus companies.

Bart advised that in the "railroad" group (CP), consisting of nine members, a unanimous vote was taken to support Rosen and reject his expulsion from the CP.

Louis Weinstock then stated that he has replaced Rosen as "industrial organizer" in the CP. Weinstock related that this "railroad" group met on January 11, 1962 and voted "against the Party." Weinstock stated that the loss of this club is not all that is involved. The CP's influence in the NALC, in transportation and among certain important Negro members is also of concern.

Bart expressed concern over the situation in the "printing trades" section of the CP. He said one "Paul" is head of this section and he and others are siding with Rosen and "causing trouble." He said that "Paul" is a

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Bart said he, being a member of this section, has taken some steps to reorganize this section to isolate these undesirable elements.

Bart then denounced the Chinese and Albanians. He told of letters received by Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and others from people in China, which letters appear to be part of a campaign. These letters express "deep regret" and "incomprehension" about the attitude of the CP,USA leaders and other CP's toward the Chinese. These letters then presented at length what is supposed to be the true picture of "new China." Bart stated that these letters must have passed a censor, must have approval of the Chinese government, and, therefore, must be part of a campaign.

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)

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1 - NY 100-139834 (COMINFIL, NALC) (41)
1 - NY 100-26018 [redacted] (415)
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Attached hereto are six (6) copies of a letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination containing a summary of information furnished by [redacted] b7D
[redacted] obtained this information while at CP,USA Headquarters, NYC, on [redacted]

The memorandum is being classified "confidential" because it contains information from a confidential source which, if revealed, could reveal the identity of this source. This, in turn, could have an adverse effect on the national security interests of the Government.

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-18672)

MAX WEISS
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Identity of Source [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in the past (conceal)

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Date Received

Received by SA JOHN A. HAAG (written)

Original Location [redacted]

Extreme care must be c[redacted] following information. It must be carefully paraphrased before dissemination.

On 1/12/62, at CP,USA headquarters, NYC, PAT TOOHEY, NJCP chairman, contacted PHIL DART, Organizational Secretary of the CP,USA.

TOOHEY stated that he had been delegated by the NJCP to inquire as to the status of the bail fund of MAX WEISS, whose Smith Act case was dismissed. TOOHEY stated the $5,000 of the $15,000 bail was furnished by contributors from NJ.

2 - Chicago (100-33742) (CP,USA-FUNDS)(RM)
(1 - 61-[illegible]) (CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT)
3 - [redacted] (RM)
(1 - 100-19491) (PAT TOOHEY)
(1 - 100-) (CP,USA-FUNDS)
1 - [redacted] (41)
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1 - NY 100-19679 (ISADORE WOFSY) (415)
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BART told TOOHEY that ISADORE WOFSY told him that $7,500 of the bail was to be returned to contributors in Chicago and the other $7,500 to contributors in NYC. He said he had talked to WOFSY on this matter on 1/11/62, as well as to CLAUDE LIGHTFOOT in Chicago. He told LIGHTFOOT that the $7,500 would be transported to Chicago as soon as it became available.

TOOHEY advised that WOFSY is in error since the NJCP has receipts for $5,000 of this fund.

He pointed out that if the money was not returned a very distasteful situation would ensue. He said that NJ had a very bad experience when the bail for SID STEIN and MARTHA STONE was returned. Many people in NJ constantly appear with receipts and request their money.

BART said he would schedule a meeting for himself, TOOHEY and WOFSY to straighten out the matter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100- 56579) DATE: 19 [illegible]

FROM : SA [redacted] b6 b7C

SUBJECT: PHIL BART
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NY 694-S* advised on 12/5/61, that the National and New York State offices of the Communist Party; the Editorial and Office Staff of "The Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper, currently occupy the premises at 23 W. 26th St., NYC.

The above captioned subject was observed at 23 W. 26th St., as indicated below:

DATE	ENTERED	DEPARTED	OBSERVED BY SAS
12/19/61	X	X	[redacted]
12/20/61	X	X	[redacted] WILLIAM J. BARRON
12/21/61	X	X	[redacted]
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TITLE OF CASE	Report made by	Typed By:
PHILIP BART	HAROLD P. QUINN	mf

CHARACTER OF CASE

INTERNAL SECURITY -C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT - 1950
SMITH ACT - 1940

Synopsis:

REFERENCE:

New York report of SA HAROLD P. QUINN, dated 10/25/61.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

The enclosed report is broken down into two sections as per Bureau instructions. Part I contains the admissible evidence and Part II the inadmissible evidence.

BART is an unindicted Smith Act subject and the character of Smith Act - 1940 appears on the original copy of this report.

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ADMINISTRATIVE: (cont'd)

[redacted] advised on [redacted] that while at CP National Headquarters, he had a revealing conversation with the subject, during which time the subject furnished a great deal of information regarding the immediate plans of the CP, USA leadership in dealing with the problems brought on by the government's action in the enforcement of the Internal Security Act of 1960. Among the ideas outlined by BART were "their" plans to possibly call an "organizational conference" that would have the character of a National Committee Meeting. He said that the Party was also planning meetings of this type in other parts of the country, under the guise of a gathering on behalf of the workers. b7D

Subject also revealed that during the last six months there had been a weakening of the Party, which is due to the lack of organization, and there was also a drifting away by Party members in mass organization. He said that this organizational erosion is causing Party clubs to disappear. However, he said that dispite the trials and persecutions, the CP leadership is aiming to strengthen this weakness and work to counteract the drifting away.

Information furnished by [redacted] outlined above, is not being included in the body of this report, as it was furnished on a personal basis to the informant.

Identities of the agents who observed the subject entering CP Headquarters, NYC, are set forth below, together with the dates on which the subject was observed.

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ADMINISTRATIVE: (cont'd)

Date	Agent
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NY T-14 [redacted]	
NY T-15 [redacted]	Instant file
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NY T-17 [redacted]	Instant file
NY T-18 NY 2002-S*	

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NY T-20 NY 2362-S*	
NY T-21 [redacted]	
NY T-22 [redacted]	[redacted]

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The sources utilized in the report to document the NADR are [redacted]

NY 3379-S*
NY 2362-S*.

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At New York, New York.

Will continue to follow and report subject's activities.

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1. [X] Subject's name is included in the Security Index.
2. [X] The data appearing on the Security Index card are current.
3. [ ] Changes on the Security Index card are necessary and Form FD-122 has been submitted to the Bureau.
4. [X] A suitable photograph [X] is [ ] is not available.
5. [X] Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were utilized only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.
6. [ ] Subject is employed in a key facility and _____ is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are _____.
7. [X] This report is classified Confidential because (state reason) information attributed from NY T-1 through NY T-22 the unauthorized disclosure of which could impair the future effectiveness of these techniques and this impairment could have an adverse effect upon the national defense interest of the country.

8. [ ] Subject previously interviewed (dates) _____.
[X] Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason) an interview of the subject at this time may prove to be a source of embarrassment to the Bureau.

9. [ ] This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.
10. [X] This case has been re-evaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason) subject is National Organizational Secretary of the CP, USA.

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Copy to:

Report of: HAROLD P. QUINN
Office: New York, New York
Date: 1/23/62
Field Office File No.: 100-56579
Bureau File No.: 100-3284
Title: PHILIP BART

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT - 1950

Synopsis:

Subject resides at 2415 Newkirk Ave., Brooklyn, NY, and is employed by the National Office of the CP, USA. He underwent surgery on 11/29/61 and is not yet working full time. GUS HALL stated he is considering replacing subject because of his health and general incompetance. Subject described at open meeting by BEN DAVIS, as "National Organizer" of CP. He is alleged to have given instructions to CP functionaries of the Eastern Pennsylvania District relative to the membership and registration provisions of the Mc Carran Act. His activities in the New England CP District also set forth. He was in attendance at meetings of the National Executive Committee, National Board and leading functionaries of the CP during period. Subject's presence at NADR and at CP National Headquarters set forth.

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DETAILS:

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I. BACKGROUND

Residence

Subject resides at 2415 Newkirk Avenue, Apartment 4G, Brooklyn, New York.

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2415 Newkirk Avenue
Brooklyn, New York)

PART I

AFFILIATION WITH COMMUNIST PARTY(CP)

A. Subject's Employment

During the past year (1961) the subject's name has appeared on the pay envelopes prepared for CP National leaders at CP National Headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, New York City.

(NY T-1, December 11, 1961)

B. Subject's Position in CP, USA

On November 5, 1961, BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, National Secretary of the CP, USA, addressed the Crown Heights Forum in Brooklyn, New York. During his talk DAVIS said that under the Mc Carran Act, all Communists were to register as such, and that this would be required before the end of November, 1961. However, he said the National officers of the CP would not register. Among these officers, he named "PHIL BART, National Organizer".

[redacted]

Brooklyn, New York
November 8, 1961)

Information regarding the above meeting was also furnished by NY T-2, on November 8, 1961.

GUS HALL recently stated that he was considering replacing the subject in his position as Organizational Secretary because of his poor health and general incompetence.

(NY T-3, December 14, 1961)

"The Worker" of December 20, 1959, reported that GUS HALL attended the meeting of the National Committee of the CP, USA, and on December 14, 1959, was elected General Secretary.

"The Worker" is an East Coast Communist newspaper.

C. Subject's Leadership Activities

FRANCES GABOW, CP Eastern Pennsylvania District Organizational Secretary, had stated that she and THOMAS NABRIED, District Chairman, CP Eastern Pennsylvania District, had attended meetings in New York City with the subject. She said that the subject had given them many instructions and had previously implied what should be done as far as the party is concerned, relative to the provisions of the Mc Carran and Smith Acts, concerning CP registration and membership.

GABOW said that the subject had instructed that there would be no more CP dues collected from clubs and forwarded as such to the National Office. All such collections would be turned in from the clubs to the District Leaders, and from the District Leaders to the National Office, as contributions rather than CP dues.

There will be no more records kept in the clubs, so far as the status of the individual members is concerned, with regard to their payment of dues. In the future, the loyalty and devotedness of the comrades will be the basis as to their payment of money to the CP. There will be no records concerning CP members and consequently there will be no records which could be used against CP members to identify them as such. The aim of the CP, USA in the future will be towards reducing the number of members in the clubs. He said there was discussion going on among the high levels of the CP, USA, relative to the best means which can be worked out to safeguard the CP, USA during the present trying period.

(NY T-4, November 13, 1961)

D. Subject's Activities in the New England District

The subject was present at a meeting of the New England District Committee of the CP, USA, held in Holbrook, Massachusetts, on October 1, 1961. At this time, the subject gave a report on the recent National Assembly for Democratic Rights, held in New York City.

(NY T-5, October 2, 1961
NY T-6, October 16, 1961)

A documentation of the National Assembly for Democratic Rights (NADR) appears in the Appendix of this report.

The subject was present at a meeting of the New England District Committee of the CP, USA, held on November 5, 1961, in Chelsea, Massachusetts. During

the meeting the subject spent some time speaking on the Mc Carran Law and started off by giving the dates that the various parts of the law become effective, such as the labeling requirement as to literature on October 29, 1961. He said that on November 19, 1961, registration of the Party was required; that on November 29, 1961, officers of the Party would have to register; and one month later on December 29, 1961, members would have to do so.

He commented that they must get away from "Calendaritis", which, he explained, was the constant looking at the effective dates of the Mc Carran Law with a result of losing sight of the work to be done. He said that it is very necessary that they work with others in this effort to uphold the Constitution against the Mc Carran Act.

(NY T-5, November 6, 1961)

Information regarding the above meeting was also furnished by NY T-7, on November 13, 1961.

E. National Assembly For Democratic Rights

The subject was present at various sessions of the NADR, held September 23 and 24, 1961, at St. Nicholas Arena, New York City.

(NY T-8, September 27, 1961
NY T-9, September 27, 1961
NY T-10, October 2, 1961
NY T-11, September 28, 1961
NY T-12, September 26, 1961
NY T-13, October 2, 1961
NY T-14, September 26, 1961)

F. Subject's Appearances at CP Headquarters

During the period of this report, the subject was observed by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on almost a daily basis entering or leaving CP Headquarters, 23 West 26th Street, New York, New York.

G. Subject's Health

The subject went to the hospital on November 25, 1961, for the purpose of undergoing surgery, which took place on November 29, 1961.

(NY T-15, November 29, 1961)

Subject recently underwent surgery for the removal of a non-malignant tumor in the intestinal area.

(NY T-16, December 1, 1961)

The subject was home from the hospital, but was mending very slowly. He expected to return to work in about two weeks, but would be unable to operate at full capacity for some period of time.

(NY T-17, December 15, 1961)

The subject, since his operation, was doing much of his work by telephone and was only going to CP Headquarters a few hours a day.

(NY T-22, January 2, 1962)

PART II

A. Subject's Employment

The subject was listed on the payroll of the National Office, of the CP,USA, for the weeks ending August 4 through August 25, 1961. His gross salary was listed as $85.00 per week and his net as $58.15 per week.

(NY T-18, September 18, 1961)

B. Subject's Attendance at Meetings of CP National Functionaries

Subject was in attendance at various meetings described below which took place at the National Headquarters of the CP,USA, 23 West 26th Street, New York, New York:

Name	Date	Source
Leading CP Functionaries	October 4, 1961	NY T-19
National CP Functionaries	October 9, 1961	NY T-19
CP National Board	October 11, 1961	NY T-20
CP National Executive Committee	October 20, 1961	NY T-19
CP National Board	November 1, 1961	NY T-20

Name	Date	Source
Leading CP Functionaries	November 6, 1961	NY T-20
CP National Board	November 8, 1961	NY T-19
CP National Board	November 15, 1961	NY T-19
Leading CP Functionaries	November 16, 1961	NY T-21

APPENDIX

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS

A source advised on August 23, 1961, that as the result of a meeting of the National Executive Committee (NEC), Communist Party, United States of America (CPUSA), held on June 10-11, 1961, and other meetings of Communist Party (CP) functionaries concerning CP efforts to combat the June 5, 1961, decisions of the United States Supreme Court upholding the Internal Security Act of 1950, and the membership provision of the Smith Act, the National Assembly for Democratic Rights (NADR), was organized. The NADR came into being in order to fulfill the need of the CP to hold a defense conference.

According to the source, the NADR scheduled an assembly for September 23-24, 1961, at St. Nicholas Arena, New York, New York. A number of individuals, described at the NEC meeting in June, 1961, as being characteristic of a national body of liberals and progressives, who should be approached and convinced to take the leadership in organizing such a national conference, were secured as initiating sponsors of the NADR.

The source further advised that the NADR was advertised as a single action undertaking, and an office was opened in Room 703, 118 East 28th Street, New York City. JOSEPH BRANDT, a CP member was placed in charge of dissemination of literature for the NADR.

A second source advised on September 23-24, 1961, that the NADR was held as scheduled, and followed the general line of condemning the Internal Security Act of 1950 and the Smith Act, and called for non-enforcement of these Acts. Included among the speakers was BENJAMIN J. DAVIS, Jr., National Secretary, CPUSA.

A third source advised on October 11, 1961, that at a meeting of the CPUSA National Board held on that date, the future of the NADR as an organization was discussed, and it was indicated that the NADR would continue to participate in the defense activities of the CP.

APPENDIX

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS (CONT'D)

The first source advised on December 13, 1961, that JOSEPH BRANDT stated in early December, 1961, that although the NADR office remains open, there are no plans for the future of the NADR, other than obtaining names for petitions calling for a reversal of the Smith Act and Internal Security Act of 1950. BRANDT indicated that the major portion of this work would be handled by the initiating sponsors, and that the NADR for all practical purposes is discontinuing.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

January 23, 1962

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Bureau 100-3284
New York 100-56579

Title Philip Bart

Character Internal Security - C
Internal Security Act - 1950

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-102320) DATE: 1/16/62

FROM : SA JOHN A. HAAG (41)

SUBJECT: U.S. v. CPUSA
IS - C; ISA - 1950

Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished reliable info in past (conceal)

Description of Info: [redacted]

Date received:
Received by: SA JOHN A. HAAG (written)
Original location: [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

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1 - NY 100-129629
1 - NY 100-111105
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (415)
1 - NY 100-23825
1 - NY 100-84275
1 - NY 100-84994
1 - NY 100-16021
1 - NY 100-133660
1 - NY 100-142489
1 - NY 100-1158
1 - NY 100-13203
1 - NY 100-128255
1 - NY 100-18065
1 - NY 100-9369
1 - NY 100-128314 (CPNYD-FUNDS) (414)
1 - NY 100-102320 (415)

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At C.P. Headquarters on Jan. 8/62 these people were seen.

JEAN SMITH
[redacted]
DOROTHY ROBINSON
ERIC BERT
JAMES ALLEN
WM. ALBERTSON
BING ?
PHIL BART
BEN DAVIS
WM. PATTERSON

GUS HALL
ARNOLD JOHNSON
ARTHUR KNIGHT
BERNICE LINTON
JIM LUSTIG
GEORGE MORRIS
DANNY RUBIN
JACK STACHEL
TED BASSET

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BETTY GANNETT - ADA BRODSKY and JIM JACKSON were not seen. JAMES ALLEN was seen outside the place on his way in.

WM. ALBERTSON was seen giving [redacted] three $10 and a $1. He told her that there was 5¢ over and that she was to add that money to the assessment fund. He went back into the rear of the State Office and was not seen again. He meant the $30.95.

There was a meeting in the Worker office where ERIC BERT and JIM JACKSON have their offices. Those seen coming from the meeting were PHIL BART - JIM LUSTIG - TED BASSETT - JACK STACHEL - GEORGE MORRIS - WM. PATTERSON - BING ?.

JEAN SMITH - BEN DAVIS - GUS HALL [redacted] DANNY RUBIN - were seen on the third floor. GUS HALL was heard telling JEAN SMITH that as soon as JAMES ALLEN came in they wanted to get the meeting started. He was refering to a meeting to be held in the pent-house since he went into the rear after telling JEAN he would be upstairs.

DOROTHY ROBINSON and BERNICE LINTON were the only ones seen in the worker office on the 1st floor.
ARTHUR KNIGHT came to the 3rd floor and was given a stencil by [redacted] [redacted] He left at once.
DANNY RUBIN was seen coming in, and later he was seen going out. He did not talk to any one in the front office.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
Memorandum

TO : SAC, BUFFALO DATE: 1/23/62

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-102320)

SUBJECT: U.S. v. CPUSA
IS-C; ISA - 1950

1 - BUFFALO (100-10454) [redacted] (RM)
1 - [redacted] (41)
1 - NY 100-84994 [redacted]
1 - NY 100-23825
1 - NY 100-16021 (415)
1 - NY 100-18065 15)
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (415)
1 - NY 100-16785 [redacted]
1 - NY 100-1696 (415)
1 - NY 100-13483
1 - NY 100-9595
1 - NY 100-129629
1 - NY 100-84275
1 - NY 100-48033
1 - NY 100-26018
1 - NY 100-21421 (415)
1 - NY 100-72625
1 - NY 100-13203
1 - NY 100-102025 [redacted] 41)
1 - NY 100-81771 [redacted] 4)
1 - NY 100-71105
1 - NY 100-25623
1 - NY 101-559
1 - NY 100-47060
1 - NY 100-15946
1 - NY 100-1158
1 - NY 100-142489
1 - NY 100-118174
1 - NY 100-106126
1 - NY 97-169 (WORKER) (415)
1 - NY 100-83801 [redacted]
1 - NY 100-93787
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Description of Info: [redacted]

Date received:

Received by: SA JOHN A. HAAG (oral)

Original location: [redacted]

Information furnished by informant was reduced to writing by SA HAAG on [redacted] and authenticated by informant [redacted]

A copy of informant's report follows:

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On 1/3/62 the following persons were observed at CPUSA headquarters, N.Y.C.: GUS HALL, BEN DAVIS, ARNOLD JOHNSON, JACK STACHEL, PHIL BART, JAMES JACKSON, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, BETTY GANNETT, WILLIAM WEINSTONE, BILL ALBERTSON, WILLIAM PATTERSON, IRVING POTASH and LOUIS WEINSTOCK.

According to WEINSTOCK these people had been in a meeting at the national office of the C.P.U.S.A.

On the same day the following persons were seen in the office of the "Worker" at 23 W. 26 St., N.Y.C.: ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, REBECCA LERNER, GEORGE MORRIS, AL NAIDICH, DOROTHY ROBINSON, FANNY HECHTMAN, ERIK BERT, JESUS COLON, BEN BORDOFSKY, JAMES TORMEY, JAMES LUSTIG and BERNICE LINTON.

BETTY GANNETT was heard to state that now that MILT ROSEN, MORT SCHEER, MIKE CRENOVICH and others have been expelled from the CP the Party has greater unity.

JAMES LUSTIG stated that CARDONAS, former president of Mexico, has been invited to speak at the March 2, 1962 Worker anniversary celebration but has not answered the invitation. Also invited have been the press attaches of Hungary, Ghana, England and Czechoslovakia but no reply has been received. [redacted] has been invited but he stated the invitation must be cleared by his lawyer, [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] according to LUSTIG, said he would have to think about it and let LUSTIG know.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284) 1/23/62

SAC, NY (100-56579)

PHILIP BART
IS-C; ISA-50; SA-40
(Weekly summary 1/15-21/62)
CINAL
(OO: NY)

The subject was observed on 1/16,17, and 18/62, by SAS of the NYO, at CP National Headquarters, NYC.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100- 56579) DATE: 24 JAN 1962

FROM : SA [redacted] b6 b7C

SUBJECT: PHIL BART
SM-C

NY 694-S* advised on 12/5/61, that the National and New York State offices of the Communist Party; the Editorial and Office Staff of "The Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper, currently occupy the premises at 23 W. 26th St., NYC.

The above captioned subject was observed at 23 W. 26th St., as indicated below:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Boston, Massachusetts

January 25, 1962

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA
FACTIONALISM

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 24, 1962, that a meeting of the District Committee, Communist Party, USA (CPUSA), New England District, was held on January 14, 1962 at Sharon, Massachusetts. The source advised that ANNE BURLAK TIMPSON, Treasurer of the CPUSA, New England District, said that at the District Committee meeting, a motion was made by District Committee member [redacted] to expel HOMER BATES CHASE, former District Organizer, from membership in the New England District because of factionalism. This motion was carried by the District Committee. TIMPSON, according to the source, said that this action taken by the District Committee was to be discussed with PHIL BART, Organizational Secretary, CPUSA, prior to having it publicized in a forthcoming edition of "The Worker," an east coast Communist newspaper. According to TIMPSON, such expulsion proceedings when they concern a national figure are normally publicized in "The Worker."

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On January 23, 1962, this same source advised that JOSEPH CHASE, brother of HOMER CHASE, had said that this unwarranted action of publicizing HOMER CHASE's expulsion from the CP would only tend to further expose to the outside world that a factionalism problem exists in this area.

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Enclosed are five copies of a letterhead memorandum dated as above under individual caption of "Communist Party, USA - Factionalism," for possible dissemination by the Bureau.

The information contained in the enclosed memorandum was furnished to SA DARREL B. CURRIE by [redacted] by written report. b7D

The letterhead memorandum has been classified "Confidential" since data reported therein from [redacted] could reasonably result in identification of a confidential informant of continuing value and compromise the future effectiveness thereof.

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(1 - 100-56579, PHIL BART)(Enc.1)(RM)

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(1 - 100-24914, PHIL BART)
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Cover Sheet for Informant Report or Material
FD-306 (3-21-58)

TO : SAC, NEW YORK
FROM : SA JOHN A. HAAG (41)
SUBJECT: PHIL BART
SM - C

DATE: 1/11/62

Date received	Received from (name or symbol number)	Received by
[redacted]	(Reliable)	SA JOHN A. HAAG

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Date of Report: 12/23/61

Date(s) of activity: [redacted]

Brief description of activity or material

Activities at Greater NY Press Bazaar,

St. Nicholas Arena, NYC, 12/17/61

File where original is located if not attached: [redacted]

Remarks:

According to [redacted] the subject was observed in attendance at the above bazaar.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW HAVEN DATE: 1/24/62

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-102320)

SUBJECT: U.S. vs. CPUSA
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1 - New Haven (100-1873) [redacted] (RM)
1 - Oklahoma City (100-) [redacted] Oklahoma City, Okla.) (RM)
1 - [redacted] (41)
1 - NY 100-68934 [redacted] (422)
1 - NY 100-129498 [redacted] 412)
1 - NY 100-55393 [redacted]
1 - NY 100-81771 [redacted] (424)
1 - NY 100-120054 [redacted] (414)
1 - NY 100-114956 [redacted]
1 - NY 100-129629 [redacted] (414)
1 - NY 100-16021 [redacted] (415)
1 - NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (415)
1 - NY 100-25623 [redacted]
1 - NY 100-16785 [redacted] (415)
1 - NY 100-48033 [redacted] 5)
1 - NY 100-18065 [redacted])
1 - NY 100-84275 [redacted] (414)
1 - NY 100-8033 [redacted] (422)
1 - NY 100-134953 [redacted]
1 - NY 100-133660 [redacted] 4)
1 - NY 100-23825 [redacted]
1 - NY 100-47211 [redacted])
1 - NY 100-133132 [redacted] 2)
1 - NY 100-105568 [redacted]
1 - NY 100-102320 (415)

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Identity of Source: [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past (conceal)

Description of Info: [redacted]

Date Received:

Received by: SA JOHN A. HAAG (written)

Original Location: [redacted]

A copy of informant's written report follows:

NY 100-102320

Jan 14/62

At C.P. headquarters on Jan.12/62 these people were seen:

JEAN SMITH
[redacted]
ADA BRODSKY
DOROTHY ROBINSON
[redacted]
WM. ALBERTSON
ARNOLD JOHNSON
PHIL BART
ERIC BERT
JIM JACKSON

IRVING POTASH
JACK STACHEL
WM. PATTERSON
ELIZABETH LAWSON
SARAH JAFFE
ARTHUR KNIGHT.

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JEAN SMITH- ELIZABETH LAWSON and ELIZABETH LAWSON worked collating and stuffing envelopes in the National board room. This is the room that was used for GUS HALL's office. He seems to be useing the pent house now, since he is never seen in the big room any more. Also there is no evidence that the room is being used as an office by anyone except BEN DAVIS.

WM. PATTERSON was seen on the 3rd floor talking to [redacted] and PHIL BART. ARNOLD JOHNSON sat nearby. IRVING POTASH - JACK STACHEL and ARTHUR KNIGHT were seen passing through.

WM. ALBERTSON was seen on the 2nd floor. He was also seen on the 3rd floor.

ERIC BERT and JIM JACKSON were seen in the Worker office on the 2nd floor.

ADA BRODSKY and DOROTHY ROBINSON were in the Worker office on the 1st floor.

At about 2:30 P.M. there was a phone call for PHIL BART from STEVE NELSON. He went into the back room to talk and nothing was heard [redacted] said it was long distance from Washington. b6 b7C

There were several large tan envelopes filled with the article being collated - Those seen were sent to SID TAYLOR DOROTHY HEALY- MICKIE LIMA- STEVE NELSON. There were many others. One letter in a white envelope was addressed to [redacted] Oklahoma, City, Okla. There was no return address.

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The article referred to above is a four-page mimeographed item entitled, "Statement on Communist Party Unity and the Fight Against Disrupters."

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEWARK (100-4284) DATE: 1/25/62

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-80641)

SUBJECT: CPUSA - ORGANIZATION
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(OO:NY)

6-Newark (100-4284) (RM)
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(1-100- [redacted] g. 3)
(1-100-32233)
(1-100-35106))
(1-100-19491)
2-Buffalo (100- [redacted] (RM) (Pgs. 2, 4)
(1-100-) (CPUSA ORGANIZATION)
1 [redacted] (41)
1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (415) (Pgs. 2-5)
1-NY 100-118174 [redacted] (414) (Pgs. 2-4)
1-NY 100-132430 (CPUSA INDUSTRIAL DIVISION) (42)
1-NY 100-139834 (COMINFIL NALC) (41) (Pgs. 2,3)
1-NY 100-87211 (CPUSA FACTIONALISM) (415)
1-NY 100-132491 (RAILROAD REGION) (42)
1-NY 100-132461 (PRINTING REGION) (42)
1-NY 100-140779 (TRANSPORTATION REGION) (42)
1-NY 100-2935 (COMINFIL TWU) (413)
1-NY 100- [redacted] (412) (Pg. 3)
1-NY 100-26018 [redacted] (415) (Pg. 3)
1-NY 100-93296 [redacted] (Pg. 3) (422)
1-NY 100-73561 [redacted] 4) (Pgs. 3, 4)
1-NY 100-50094 [redacted] (424)
1-NY 97-169 (PUBLISHERS NEW PRESS) (415)
1-NY 100-128809 (CPNYD STRATEGY IN INDUSTRY) (414)
1-NY 100-109560 [redacted] 422) (Pg. 4)
1-NY 100-80641 (415)

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Description of Info [redacted]

Date Received

Received By SA JOHN A. HAAG-written

Original Location [redacted]

A copy of informant's written report follows.

At CPUSA headquarters in NYC the following information was learned from PHIL BART, Organizational Secretary:

BART stated that a CP document entitled "Statement on Communist Party Unity and the Fight Against Disrupters" is to be disseminated to each CP club and "leading comrade." He referred to this document as a "resolution" adopted by the national CP leadership.

(This document deals with the disruptive activities of MILT ROSEN and MORT SCHEER who have been expelled from the CP along with others in their following).

This document according to the source links the ROSEN group with the Albanians and BART stated that the Albanians are financing the ROSEN movement. BART said that ROSEN and SCHEER are functioning and paid full time and that the cost of publishing the paper they are editing "Progressive Labor" is enormous and must be financed from "outside."

BART was vitrolic about ROSEN. He said that six members have been expelled in Buffalo and five--so far--in New York, with more to come. He said the tragedy of the situation is that the ROSEN followers are "industrial" people, workingmen, trade unionists, which weakens the official Party greatly in these areas. He indicated that ROSEN has many followers left in the Party and seems to have something of an influence among Negro members in Harlem and in the transportation industries. He stated that the Party has "had trouble" in "railroad," "transportation" (QUILL union), and printing trades among others over the ROSEN matter. He stated they have a footing in the "NALC" New York movement and use it as a club against the Party.

In the Negro American Labor Council (NALC), ROSEN earlier had been in charge of this area of work and took with him all "connections" when he broke. BART said ROSEN had arranged a big money raising affair to finance delegates to the Chicago conference of the NALC, but that now they find not a penny of these proceeds were used for that purpose.

BART charged ROSEN with conniving with Negro and NALC members to attack MIKE QUILL and the leadership of the TWU in midst of the recent TWU bus strike and earlier subway negotiations. He said only the Party moving fast prevented the scandal of the Negro workers being used to help the bus companies and subway operators.

In the "railroad" group a bad situation prevails. This consists of 9 members and unanimously this Party club voted the other day to support ROSEN and reject his expulsion. BART said that even BERNIE KRANSDORF, brother of HERB (District CP head in Pittsburgh) who is a good guy, is with ROSEN. BERNIE is said to work for the Erie RR in NJ but lives in NY.

Several of the members of this railroad group live in New Jersey. This includes [redacted]. (This group was formerly a NJ group which was shifted to NY as most of the members live there, although working in NJ yards). b6 b7C

LOUIE WEINSTOCK then joined this part of the discussion. He is now replacing ROSEN as "industrial organizer." WEINSTOCK related that just the night before there was a club meeting of this group and that [redacted] among others, voted "against the Party." WEINSTOCK stated that the loss of this club is not all that is involved, but a certain influence in NALC, in transportation, on railroad, and among some important Negro members. WEINSTOCK said he would come to Newark at any time day or evening to see [redacted]

BART and WEINSTOCK pointed out that this "railroad" group is large in the ROSEN picture, because at the national "conference" held by the ROSEN group on December 2-3, 1961, the meeting was held in the home of "ARNIE" (phonetic) who is a member of this group, and that ARNIE, BERNIE, [redacted] are vocal in ROSEN support.

ABE UNGER and ESTHER CANTOR attended this December 2-3 conference. ESTHER stated she felt a right to attend and

denied the Party any right to tell her she should not attend. She stated that at this conference, when the subject arose whether to now "form a new Party," she took the negative and said she preferred to "stay inside" and fight from within. BART said she will be allowed to do this just so long and then be fired out on her ears.

As for ABE UNGER, he is not yet, but will be expelled according to BART. UNGER sent a long denunciatory letter to the "Worker" condemning the paper for publishing the names of ROSEN and SCHEER "for the benefit of the McCarran Law" and FBI. BART indicated that there have been quite some objections from other sources for publishing the names, which lays open SCHEER and ROSEN for "persecution."

BART expressed concern over the situation in the "printing trades" section of the CP. He said [redacted] are "messing things up in the printing trades groups." b6 b7C

BART said he, being a member of this section, has taken some steps to reorganize this section and isolate these undesirable elements.

PAT TOOHEY, NJCP chairman, was heard to relate the appearance of new difficulties with the LOTTIE GORDON-LOU MOROZE wing and ascribed it to the international CP developments (Albania, MOLOTOV, etc.). He reported the objection of GORDON and MOROZE to the undertaking of activities for the "Worker", and hostility to even having a gathering of the leadership take place. He reported the resumption of hostilities of these persons against [redacted] and BOB HAMILTON, and said he expected new troubles. He stated he had gone to GUS HALL's home the other day to talk to him about the matter but HALL had left.

BART proposed that the matter be left till HALL returns, as there are some "proposals" on a number of

districts. He said it may be necessary to "make a complete clean out everywhere." He stated that things are at a point where the national leadership may just have to remove leaderships and "set up the kind we want."

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Date: 1/15/62

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-69)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (100-33741)

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are four copies of an informant's statement dated January 14, 1962, containing information orally furnished on January 14, 1962, by CG 5824-S*, who has furnished reliable information in the past, to SA RICHARD W. HANSEN. This information was reduced to writing on January 15, 1962, and the original report is maintained in CGfile A)134-46-7209.

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(1-100-1287 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)
2-Detroit (RM)
(1-100- (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)
(1-100-2050 (CP, Michigan District - Organization)
3-New York (RM)
(1-100-56579 (PHIL BART)
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(1-100-1696 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)
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2-Philadelphia (RM)
(1-100- (PHIL BART)
(1-100- (CP, Eastern Pennsylvania District - Organization)
4-Chicago
(1-A)134-46-7209)
(1-100-17787 (ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN)
(1-100-18953 (CP, Illinois District - Organization)

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January 14, 1962

On January 14, 1962, Elizabeth Gurley Flynn advised that because of the illness of her sister Kathie, she may have to cancel all pending plans for her Midwest tour. These plans, according to Flynn, include a visit to Detroit, Michigan, prior to her tentative arrival in Chicago on January 29, 1962, for a period of about one week.

At this same time, it was learned through Flynn that Phil Bart had departed New York City and had spent the week end of January 13-14, 1962, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and that the purpose of his visit to Philadelphia had been to meet with Communist Party leaders to discuss Party business.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-26603-C273) DATE: 1/26/62

FROM : SA [redacted] 42)

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SUBJECT: FLATBUSH KCCP CLUB
IS-C

Identity of Source

Description of info

Date Received

Original where located

A copy of informant's report follows:

1 - [redacted] Inv)(42)
1 - New York (100-98068) [redacted])
1 - New York)(100-65361 [redacted] (422)
1 - New York (100-65362 [redacted] (42)
1 - New York (100-56579) [redacted]
1 - New York (100-85686) [redacted] 22)
1 - New York (100-141725 [redacted] (422)
1 - New York (100-26603-C43)(KCCP)(422)
1 - New York (100- [redacted] LNU, the next meeting of the Flatbush KCCP Club will be held at her home as per [redacted] 422)
1 - New York (100-112806) [redacted] (42)
1 - New York (100-86624)(CP, USA International Relations)(415)
1 - New York (100-89691)(CP, USA Domestic Relations)(415)
1 - New York (100-26603-C273)(422)

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Jan 5, 1962

On Wed Jan 3, 1962 the Flatbush Club of the Communist Party met at the home of [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] opened the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

[redacted] collected dues. Although [redacted] was not at the meeting her husband [redacted] paid her dues for her.

PHIL BART was the guest speaker. BART's subject was the peace movement.

Among other things that BART said, he recited the party line about atom bomb testing by the Russian. The party is opposed to all testing but we must realize that this is a socialist nation that is testing and because they must always be vigilant and because they wanted to show the world the horrors of the atom bomb, they conducted tests.

BART said that the aim of the ultra-right today is to force the KENNEDY administration to the right and into war with the Russians.

[redacted] LNU is still opposed to any testing on grounds of shocking the world. However, she does see reasons why the Russians tested A- bombs for military reasons.

After the meeting Mrs. CONNIE BART who seems to be the section organizer for the Flatbush area visited and spoke with [redacted] and [redacted] about Burning Issues.

It was announced that a Kings County conference would be held at Utica Ave and Eastern P'kway Sun Jan 21 at 10:30 P.M. Two members from each club would be selected to attend.

The next meeting will be held at the home of [redacted] LNU on Jan 17, 1962.

Among those present were

[redacted]

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PHIL BART

[redacted] LNU

[redacted] LNU

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3284) 1/30/62

SAC, NY (100-56579)

PHILIP BART
IS-C; ISA-50
(Weekly Summary 1/22-28/62)
CINAL
(OO: NY)

1/22/62

Subject was observed by SAS of the FBI at CP National Headquarters, NYC. He was observed to go to lunch with JAMES JACKSON and JACK STACHEL and to later return with them to Headquarters.

1/23/62

Subject was observed at CP Headquarters. He was later observed entering 875 Park Avenue, which is believed to be the location of the office of the doctor whom he is utilizing in connection with his recent illness and operation. Later in the afternoon, he was observed to enter the Madison Square Hotel, which is presently the residence of ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN.

1/24/62

Subject was observed at CP Headquarters where he spent most of the day.

1/25/62

Subject was observed at CP Headquarters early in the morning. Later in the morning he was observed to enter 80 East 11th Street, which is the location of the office of LEM HARRIS. Ten minutes after entering this address, the subject emerged with HARRIS and they both separated. The subject then proceeded to 35 East 12th Street, which building is owned by the CP. After leaving this address, he proceeded to the Madison Square Hotel, where he was observed to have lunch with ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN. He then returned to CP Headquarters.

2 - Bureau (100-3284)(RM)
1 - NY (100-56579)(415)
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Subject was observed at CP National Headquarters where he spent most of the day.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (100-31723) DATE: 1/22/62

FROM : SA [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

SUBJECT: CPUSA, ORGANIZATION
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On [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, personally provided a written statement to SA [redacted] This statement is maintained in [redacted]

(3) - New York (RM)
1 - 100-56579 (PHIL BART)
1 - 100-23825 [redacted]
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24 - Philadelphia
1 - 100-31723
23 - Other appropriate Philadelphia files

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"1/15/62

"The District Executive Committee of the Communist Party of Phila. met on Mon. Jan. 15, 1962, in the home of [redacted]. b6 b7C

"The following Communists were present:

"TOM NABRIED, FRANCES GABOW, ELSIE DICKERSON, [redacted] and JIM DOLSEN. The agenda was as follows:

"1 - District Committee meeting - TOM

2 - Results from Youth Month - [redacted]

3 - Press - FRANCES

4 - Yale & Towne - [redacted] ELSIE, JIM

5 - S. Phila. situation - FRANCES

"TOM said the following in point one: quote

"'PHIL BART was in on Sunday and spent the day going over many things. He said he would have been in sooner, but he has been in the hospital and had an operation. He also said GUS HALL was out in Chicago sick with the flu.'

"'PHIL asked us to hold a district committee meeting as soon as possible. So I told him Saturday, Jan. 20. Some one will be in from New York to attend that meeting.'

"'I said it'll be on Saturday, at [redacted] home, [redacted] from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. The order of business will be; (1) Press Campaign (2) organizational problems (3) Election perspectives.' unquote.

"The comrades agreed to the meeting, the place, time and agenda.

"On point two - [redacted] said the following, quote,

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"'All in all, youth month was good and had some positive results. The question of youth was taken up in five (5) clubs, we received $60.00 in funds from clubs a number of Subs for New Horizons.'

"'There are possibilities of receiving more subs, and also more affairs will be held as a result of Youth Month.'

"'It should go down as a positive achievement for our district.'

"'While I am on the subject of youth, I might as well tell you, on Feb. 17, 1962 and Feb. 16, a peace march will take place in Washington. It is sponsored by various youth organizations. The communist youths will participate in the march, which will be equal in scope to the Youth March on integrated schools.'

"'While this is not run by the party, we can participate fully.'

"'Also, BEN DAVIS has agreed to come in and speak forS.Y.U. on Feb. 23, 1962.' Unquote

"On press, FRANCES told the comrades, it would be dealt with more at the D. C. Meeting. She said the quota for our area is $3000.00. This means in Subs and funds. The campaign starts Jan. 16, 1962 thru Mar. 20, '62. FRANCES said she felt the sum was realistic since it dealt with all subs, new, renewals counting as funds. For example she said, if a club has a goal of $100.00 - and they obtain 10 subs for the Worker and Mid-Week Worker, which is $7.00 for the year, this will mean $70.00 and they'll only have to raise $30.00 in cash. She said she would have the quotas for clubs broken down by Sat.

"On the Yale-Towne Strike - JIM DOLSEN said he had been at the meeting of the Union #1717 on Sunday,

"sitting at the press table. He felt the morale of the strikers is excellent. The leaders are in earnest, because they know that the entire business is an out and out attempt to smash unions.

[redacted] agreed with JIM, saying he was an observer at the meeting on Sunday also [redacted] said he still belong to the [redacted] union, although a different local; however there isnt much he can say or do, because he is a known communist in his outfit. He said they never kicked him out of the union, but they make certain, he can hold no office and is not given any task.

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"ELSIE said the Phila. Central Labor Council is divided on the issue in relation to the postponing of the Mass demonstration on the part of Labor in support of the strikers. This was done to go along with the Mayor's Committee. However when the two weeks are up and the company is still employing the same tactics, there are those in the council that will fight for a city demonstration on the part of every union member, and she feels the members are willing and ready to fight. She wanted to know what the party was doing about it.

"TOM said JIM DOLSEN was going to write an article on the situation, it would be sent to the Worker, used as an editorial and our district would order extra copies of that paper and distribute it.

"He also urged a deluge of letters to newspapers and to the Mayor favoring the strikers. He said the NAM had sanctioned this attempt on the part of the company to break the union. He said the hiring of Scabs, Negroes in the main was an attempt to turn White agst. blacks, but this has failed, racism is licked and has not flared, because many Negroes are on the line with the strikers and it is a pure case of Workers against Scabs.

"On the So. Phila. situation, FRANCES said there has been a break in P.O.C. Three of its members or ex-members have asked for re-admission to the party. They are [redacted] and his wife and a sea man she said. These people said P.O.C. has become so nationalistic. There are only six of them left in this district and the entire thing will soon disappear, the[redacted] feel. FRANCES says they want to come back and they feel they can help re-build the party in So. Phila.

"FRANCES said her recommendation is they be allowed to join, but they will be members under disciplinary membership. This means their work is to be watched closely, they are not to be in leadership or to attend any high level party meetings. They are curtailed to So. Phila. FRANCES says [redacted] and his wife as well as the seaman have contacts on the waterfront and this is where she feels they should work. She says [redacted] could also help out, when [redacted] leaves the city in June.

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"The comrades were silent for a full five minutes on this subject. It was apparent they did not like the idea too much. Finally [redacted] wanted to know if it was possible that P.O.C. had sent them back to the party to disrupt. FRANCES and [redacted] felt this was not true. They feel these people are sincere, they recognize their errors and are willing to try and rebuild what they also help to destroy. [redacted] feels they should be allowed to try and if they fail to follow the party line than they are to be expelled. He said they were not expelled before but was dropped.

"The comrades reluctantly agreed to the disciplinary membership, but warned [redacted] and FRANCES this was their responsibility and they were expected to report these comrades progress."

It is to be noted the address of [redacted] [redacted] On [redacted] advised the address in above report should be [redacted]

[redacted]. It is also believed the seaman in South Philadelphia is RUSS GILL. [redacted] wife is [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-63) DATE: 1/31/62

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-74560)

SUBJECT: CPUSA - FUNDS
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(OO:NY)

On 1/25/62, NY 694-S* advised SA ALEXANDER C. BURLINSON as follows:

ISADORE WOFSY recently told the informant that he (WOFSY) had been delegated by the Party to obtain from MAX WEISS $10,000 of Party money which had been made available to WEISS for bail money, and which is currently in WEISS' possession.

WEISS, upon being contacted by WOFSY in this regard, refused to surrender the $10,000. He and his wife SADIE excoriated the Party leadership, referring to the CP leaders as "a bunch of thieves." Their insulting comments regarding the Party itself and Party leaders reflected, in WOFSY's opinion, "a deep hatred of the Party and its leaders."

WOFSY reported the result of his contact with WEISS to PHIL BART, CPUSA Organizational Secretary, because half of the aforesaid bail money belongs to the CP in Chicago. According to WOFSY, the CP in Chicago, through LEON KATZEN, will attempt to obtain from WEISS the above-mentioned $10,000.

2-Bureau (100-3-63) (RM)
3-Chicago (100-) (CPUSA FUNDS) (RM)
(1-100-) (LEON KATZEN)
(1-134-46) (CG 5824-S*)
1-NY 134-91 (INV.) (41)
1-NY 100-18672 (MAX WEISS) (421)
1-NY 100-68400 (SADIE WEISS) (421)
1-NY 100-19679 (ISADORE WOFSY) (415)
1-NY 100-129802 (CPUSA COUNTERINTELLIGENCE PROGRAM) (41)
1-NY 100-56579 (PHIL BART) (415)
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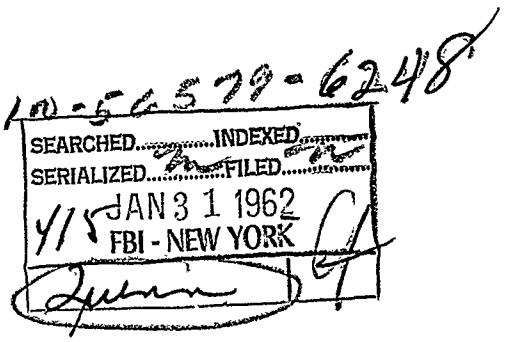
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